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## COMMENT ON THE DAY

### Question Of Status

THE sentencing of two British sailors by a Japanese court to two and a half years' imprisonment for robbery brings into sharp focus the anomalous position of Commonwealth forces created by the Japanese peace treaty. It also underscores the urgent necessity for a rapid agreement concerning jurisdiction over Commonwealth servicemen either stationed in Japan or there on leave from the Korean war front. It is to be noted that the British Foreign Office has lodged two distinct protests with the Japanese Government. One is regarding jurisdiction of Japanese courts; the other against the severity of the sentence imposed on the two sailors from HMS Belfast. Both protests are justified. The sentences are undoubtedly excessive to a point of being vicious. None will deny that the two offenders deserve and must be punished for their outrageous conduct; but the penalty must bear relationship to the offence. General MacArthur's democratisation of Japan may have won a measure of success, but there is no known evidence that it has made itself manifest in Japanese prison conditions which, traditionally, are vile and far removed from those laid down as a minimum in Western countries. Incarceration for two and a half years in a Japanese prison would be more than a punishment; it would, in effect, be an infliction of mental and physical torture to which no person should be subjected, however obnoxious his offence.

THE wider issue at stake is the question of the status of Commonwealth troops in Japan. While the United States forces have a separate and satisfactory arrangement under their own defence agreement with Japan, other United Nations troops are in an invidious position. Negotiations have become inordinately protracted, with the Japanese making little or no serious effort to reach an agreement. The Japanese contention that the United Nations troops now in Japan are merely a continuation of the army of occupation is quite untenable. In fact, Commonwealth troops have many other commitments in the world and Commonwealth Governments would certainly not wish to keep them a day longer in Japan than was necessary. Those troops are in Japan today because they are committed to fighting in the Korean war—an undertaking which, quite obviously, is in the best interests of Japan. There are many good reasons why the Japanese should show much better understanding of the purpose and needs of the United Nations Forces in their country. The agreement reached with the United States proves that Japan is committed in principle to help those who are helping her, and the Japanese certainly cannot deny that the role the Commonwealth forces are playing in Korea to help that country resist and defeat Communist aggression is of paramount importance to the future security of Japan. The Japanese Government has no excuse for further delaying an agreement which will clearly state and also safeguard the independent status of British and other Commonwealth forces in Japan.

## British Cabinet To Study Tense Middle East Situation

### EGYPT AND IRAN CRISES CAUSE ANXIETY

London, Aug. 7. The tense situation in the Middle East, particularly Egypt and Persia, will be reviewed at a special Cabinet meeting today (Thursday) called by the Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill. The Cabinet will consider the developments in Egypt following General Naguib's coup d'etat, and study reports from the Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson on the talks he has been having in Cairo with the Egyptian Premier, Aly Maher Pasha. Another major item for discussion will be the Commonwealth Prime Ministers conference fixed to take place in London in November. Usually reliable sources here said a further point on the agenda is the recent offer of the Persian Premier, Dr Mohammed Mossadegh, to submit the oil dispute to arbitration, which was later withdrawn. The meeting is expected to be the last before Ministers disperse for the summer recess. Parliament broke up last Friday till October.

The July crises in Egypt and Persia have caused serious anxiety in London where the stability of the Middle East land bridge between Europe and Asia is a first rank policy aim. Following the critical fourth week of July when crowds in Tehran chased the then newly appointed Prime Minister Ghyam es Sultaneh into hiding in his "worst" anti-foreign riots of the century and the Egyptian Army forced the abdication of King Farouk and the resignation of Hily Pasha's Government, Ministers here made a fresh attempt to fathom the deep currents now running in the Middle East.

The analysis made last June when the Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, recalled his senior Middle East envoy was already out of date. In the ensuing month in which Mr Eden himself was away from public business recovering from jaundice in the country—the situation in the Middle East proved to be more revolutionary and less stable than had been believed in Britain.

THE DIFFERENCES Frank analysis of the new situation has led British authorities to emphasise the differences between the state of affairs in Egypt and Persia, rather than the similarities more easily noted in the popular press.

In the two countries, the most obvious superficial aspect of the domestic crises was the threat to the monarch, a threat which materialised in Egypt on July 26 and led to the abdication of King Farouk in favour of his infant son. But there, in fact, the similarity for the moment appears to end.

Seen in mid-summer, the outstanding feature of the Persian situation was considered here to be the recent link up of nationalist, communist, and religious fanatic movements. The grave Tehran riots of July 21 are believed here to have been organised by National Front and pro-communist Tudeh Party forces working together. Leftwing forces in the country have openly criticised the Shah on the ground that he placed the pro-Western Ghyam es Sultaneh in power. They have also criticised the Nationalist Prime Minister, Dr Mossadegh, on the score of protecting the Shah.

SHORT OF FUNDS Since Dr Mossadegh's Government is known to be acutely short of funds through its failure to settle the oil dispute with Britain, the danger that he may lose his grasp on an unstable and revolutionary situation is considered here to be a real one. In that event, the attitude of the army would be of critical importance and the position of the Tudeh party potentially very strong. Persia, unlike Egypt, however, has no Soviet troops in power. The army leader, expressed the post-up discontent of a professional caste

### Mossadegh Proposes To "Soak The Rich"

Teheran, Aug. 6. Persian Prime Minister Mossadegh submitted to the Cabinet tonight proposals for stiff "soak the rich" taxes as the first step to get the nation back on its feet. Details of the proposals—drawn up by the Premier and his financial advisers—were not officially disclosed. It is reliably reported, however, that they call for a two per cent yearly tax on the value of all "immovable" property such as houses, farm buildings and estates.

The source close to the government said it was expected that the tax could raise at least £18,000,000 at the legal rate of exchange—a trifle more than the government's expenses. The proposals are obviously aimed at wealthy families who control most of the land. The new levy will apparently wait until Dr Mossadegh is given full powers to run the country as he wishes for six months.

THE ONLY thing now standing in his way is approval by Senate, which is expected on August 9. The newspaper Reyhan today said the Shah was giving approval to the full powers in the bill—Associated Press.

COMPLETE CONTROL The army's control of public order during the critical days between July 23 and 26 was complete. Communist activity at this time was so discreet that it was not possible to assess the extent to which the military leaders may have had surreptitious Communist backing. Nor does Egypt border on a communist state. The nearest troops of any Great Power are, in fact, the British Canal Zone garrison.

If Communists and Nationalists in Egypt are to join forces and launch the country on a campaign of violence against the West, that day has yet to come.

Consequently, the tendency in London after the July crises in Egypt and Persia was to view the situation in the two countries in very different terms. In Egypt, the attempt to carry out a purge of public life was welcomed and the activities of General Naguib were watched with some sympathy in the hope that a more wholesome and more stable period would follow. In Persia, the economic difficulties of the Government and the increasing power of the Communists have aroused far graver anxieties—Reuter.

### GROMYKO CALLS ON EDEN

London, Aug. 6. Mr Andrei Gromyko, new Soviet Ambassador to Britain, is expected to present his credentials to the Queen tomorrow at Buckingham Palace. Mr Gromyko paid his first call on the British Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, today. The meeting lasted ten minutes. Mr Eden was understood to have expressed to Mr Gromyko his hope that they would be able to work together for an improvement in Anglo-Soviet relations—Reuter.

THUNDERSTORMS INTERRUPT BBC Radio Programmes Heavy thunderstorms with torrential rain broke in several parts of Britain tonight, interrupting radio broadcasts through power failure and marooning families in upstairs rooms. After 25 minutes the British Broadcasting Corporation's light programme and Midlands regional service resumed with the aid of emergency diesel generators.

The trunk road from London to Oxford was worst affected by floods, and hundreds of cars were jammed in a solid mass over a long stretch of it.

### Coronation Emblems



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### VIOLENCE IN GUATEMALA

Guatemala City, Aug. 6. Fifty people, including high government officials, were wounded by gunfire in a flare-up of armed violence yesterday in north and central Guatemala over the recent agrarian reform laws. One of those wounded was identified as Mr Alvaro Salguero, Propaganda Secretary to the President, Mr Jacobo Arbenz.

Fragmentary but confirmed reports said an armed assault was made against a group of government officials, advising agricultural workers in the town of Coban on their rights under the new land reform law. The authorities immediately sent an army plane to the remote town to evacuate the government officials.

This morning President Arbenz called a special meeting of high government officials. Observers thought it might be decided to declare Guatemala under a state of siege. Coban is the centre of Guatemala's richest coffee producing area.

GOVT. STATEMENT A Government spokesman said the shooting was started by a group of landowners in resentment over the speeches being made by Mr Salguero and others to peasants and Indians, urging them to apply for appropriation of portions of privately owned farms under the agrarian reform law. He said that Mr Salguero was advising Indians that the "land was originally yours, but was taken from you by the Spanish and we are merely returning it to you" when shooting was started by bystanders. Five landowners were wounded or injured in the following disturbance and gaoled, while several others were reported heading for the Mexican border—Reuter.

### Unpopular Name

Cairo, Aug. 6. Hundreds of fathers besieged Council offices throughout Egypt today, Cairo newspapers reported. They wanted to change their sons' names from Farouk to something more fashionable—Associated Press.

## US Pours Cold Water On Defence Plan

Washington, Aug. 6. The United States today threw cold water on a new British plan to set up Middle East Command machinery. Turkey is the only nation in the area ready to participate.

In a special statement, the State Department said all countries in the explosive area should take part in the formation of an alliance. Britain was reported yesterday as putting finishing touches on a proposal calling for creation of a Middle East organisation composed initially of the United States, France, Turkey, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and Britain.

### Hunt For Two Men In Lorry

Lurs, Aug. 6. The police of South-eastern France tonight joined in a vast hunt for two Frenchmen in a small lorry. They are wanted for questioning in the savage slaying of Sir Jack Drummond and his wife and 12-year-old daughter, Elizabeth.

The police are under pressure of a horrified French public opinion to track down and bring the murderers or murderers to justice as quickly as possible. The Press here says that seldom in the history of crime has a murder appeared so wanted or so brutal.

The hunt for the two Frenchmen was touched off by a report to police by a Northern Ireland businessman, Mr Joseph Muskat, of Belfast. He said he was held up at pistol point in the town of a lonely road near the murder area. Before the men could rob him they fled, frightened by the noise of an approaching car. But Mr Muskat was able to take the licence number of the lorry. He reported it to police at Cologne today after reading of the Drummond murder.

OTHER CLUES Police probed three other clues: 1. The theft about 70 miles away from the scene, in Beauvallon, near St. Tropez, of a better valued Citroen. The owner was coughed, trussed and left on the side of the road by two sombre-faced men.

2. A report from another motorist that a poorly-dressed man stopped him not far from the scene of the crime a few hours earlier, demanding a lift. This man said he was a policeman.

3. Two campers, dressed in shorts, were seen near the spot where the Drummonds had stopped to spend the night in their little British stationwagon. Earlier today police dismissed from the case an Italian deserter from the French Foreign Legion, whose abandoned uniform was found in a nearby town. It was found that the Italian crossed the border two days ago.

Lurs, a picturesque little village, nestling in the foothills of the French Alps with a population of less than 400, knew another violent and senseless triple murder 83 years ago. Wood-choppers brutally killed the wife, daughter and servant of farmer Joseph Berna in 1870 while he was away for the night. A baby boy survived.

Until his death recently, he devoted his declining months to methodically wiping out the memory of the dread evening. Stone by stone, he threw the farmhouse into the quiet Rhone Durance, which flows in the valley below the scene of yesterday's crime. It is still not known whether the Drummonds' killer made off (Contd. on back page, Col. 2)

### More Pay For Farm Hands

London, Aug. 6. Pay increases of £12 million for Britain's 200,000 farm workers were confirmed today by the Agricultural Wages Board. But the National Union of Agricultural Workers condemned the increases—8/- a week for men and 6/- for women—as "entirely inadequate". The union asked the board to agree to an increase of two pence per hour. The new rates, which apply from August 18, raise the men workers' pay to a maximum of £25-6-5 and the women's £24-8-5 for a 47-hour week—Reuter.

### Bulgarian Action Causes Tension

Athens, Aug. 6. The Defence Minister, Mr George Mavros, today conferred with the Chief of the General Staff and other top military leaders as continued Bulgarian possession of disputed Gamma Island dangerously threatened Greco-Bulgarian relations.

There is still no official communique on a Bulgarian evacuation of the island, which is in the River Evros. The communique was expected this morning after the Foreign Minister, Mr Sophocles Venizelos, had last night demanded that Bulgarian troops withdraw within a "fixed time limit".

The Commander of the Third Army Corps, General Mantiadakis, arrived at the Evros River border to take command of the Greek forces there today. Mr Venizelos said that the island had been indisputably proved in the United Nations to be Greek property.

The island was seized by Bulgarian troops after a short fight in which two Greek guerrillas were killed and three were wounded—United Press.

### STUDIES REPORTS

Paris, Aug. 6. General Matthew Ridgway's Supreme Allied Headquarters carefully studied reports today that Greek forces had been alerted to repel Bulgarian soldiers from the disputed Gamma Island in the Evros River. Greek officials at the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation Headquarters declined to comment on the reports. Greek troops under NATO arrangements are under the command of United States Admiral Robert Carney, General Ridgway's Deputy for Southern Europe, who has his headquarters at Naples.

Admiral Carney's headquarters was reported to be carefully following developments following the Athens announcement of an alert—United Press.

### Cadets Injured

Colchester, Aug. 6. Eleven army cadets, aged from 15 to 17, were injured today when the lorry in which they were travelling home after a fortnight's training course overturned near here—Reuter.

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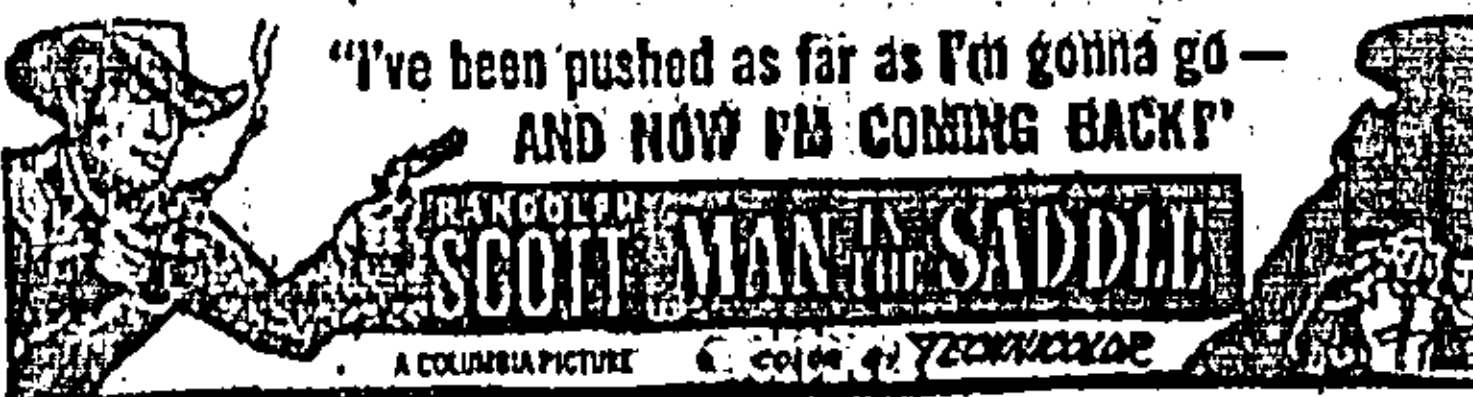
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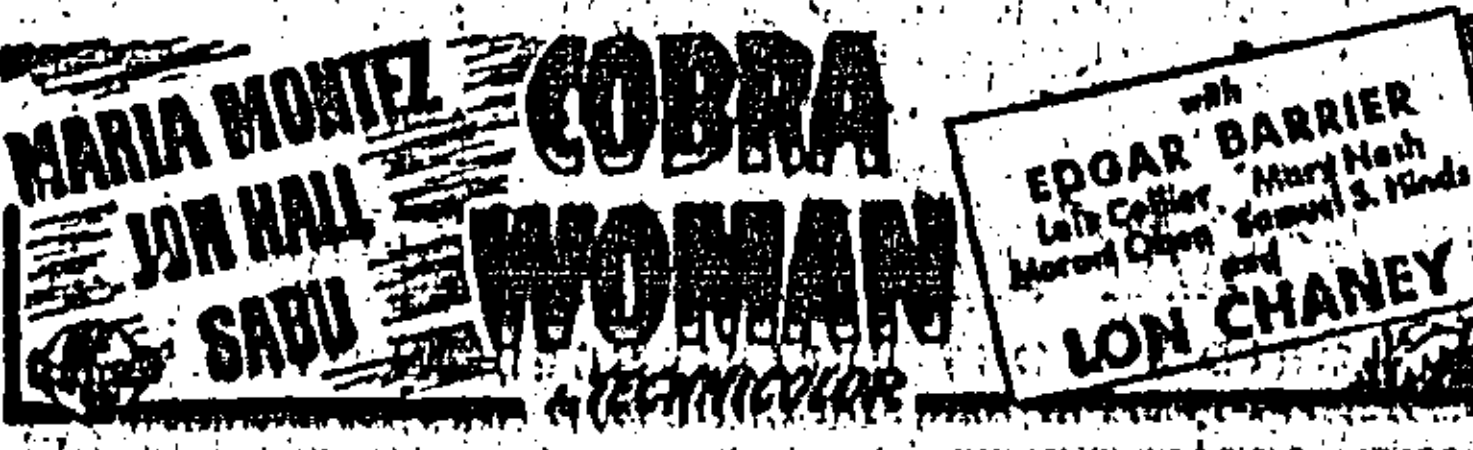
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## General Ridgway Visits Athens



The Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, General Ridgway, takes the salute from a detachment of the Greek Forces after placing a wreath on the Unknown Warrior's tomb in Athens. On his right is General Curigropoulos, Greek Chief of Staff.—Express Photo.

## New 'Burma Campaign' Opens — A Search For Oil

London, Aug. 6.  
Fourteenth Army veterans may be interested in the latest "communique" from Chittagong — that eastern Bengal city which once served as a forward base for our forces engaged in the Burma campaign.

### "Crimes Against The Economy"

Berlin, Aug. 6.  
The Leipzig Court today sentenced 24 traders, manufacturers and distributors to terms of imprisonment ranging from two and a half to 15 years for "crimes against the economy."

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## Japan And Red China

SOME EXPORTS PERMITTED

Washington, Aug. 6.  
The State Department spokesman, Lincoln White, announced today that the United States and Japan had reached agreement authorizing Japan to export certain goods and products to Communist China.

Mr. White said that the agreement included chemical dyes and textile machinery.

He indicated that there was a possibility that some other non-strategic Japanese products, the export of which to Communist China was banned during the period of occupation, might now be sold to some Communist countries.

He added: "Japan has to make administrative decisions in the non-strategic field as to what they would and would not ship to China and it is natural they would want to consult with us before they made those decisions."

Mr. White said that experts of both countries were now continuing to exchange views toward authorizing the export of additional non-strategic products to Communist countries.

According to the spokesman, these conversations were taking place both in Tokyo and in Washington and concerned those products the export of which was formerly banned by the American occupation authorities.

Mr. White said that the negotiations had been conducted independently from the talks prior to the recent Five-Power Conference.

This conference grouping Japan, Canada, the United States, France and Britain, associated Japan with questions concerning trade with Communist countries with the Control Commission whose headquarters is in Paris.—France-Press.

## Quakers Issue Appeal For Peace In Korea

Oxford, Aug. 6.  
A world conference of the Quaker Society of Friends, which has just ended here today, issued an appeal for peace in Korea through the use of India's good offices.

The appeal was cabled to the Chinese Foreign Minister, Mr. Chou En Lai, the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vishinskiy, the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, and the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden.

It was also cabled to the armistice negotiators at Panmunjom, the Prime Minister of North Korea, the Prime Minister of South Korea, Mr. Trygve Lie, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru.

The statement said in part: "We hope that the willingness of the Government of India to use their good offices in the cause of peace may be followed up actively."—Reuter.

## Voting Shock In Missouri

St. Louis, Aug. 6.  
W. Stuart Symington, a veritable newsmaker to the political wars, amassed an amazing landslide victory today for Missouri's Democratic Senatorial nomination.

Mr. Symington, a former handymen in the Truman administration, soundly trounced the President's choice for the nomination in yesterday's primary. Attorney-General J. E. (Buck) Taylor.

Mr. Taylor finally conceded defeat in a brief statement as Mr. Symington's lead soared past 170,000.

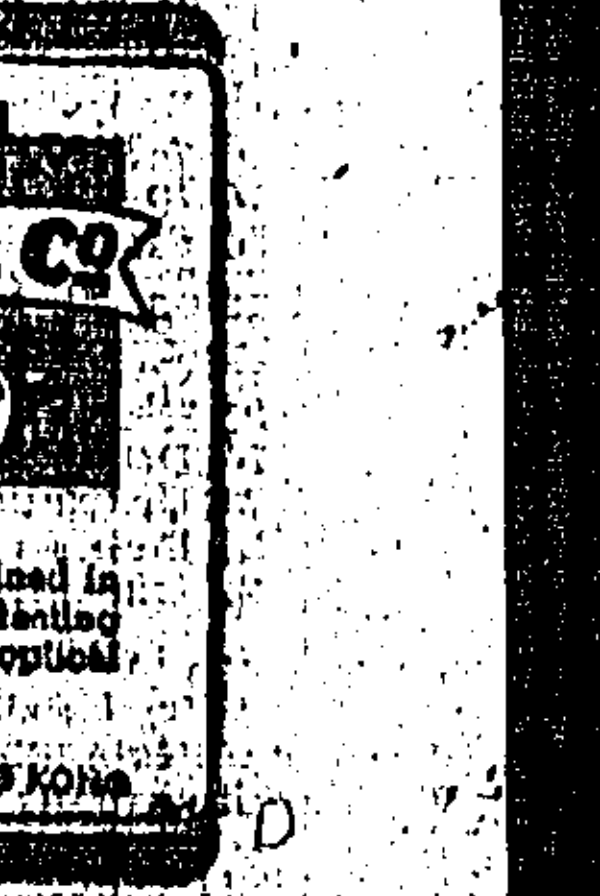
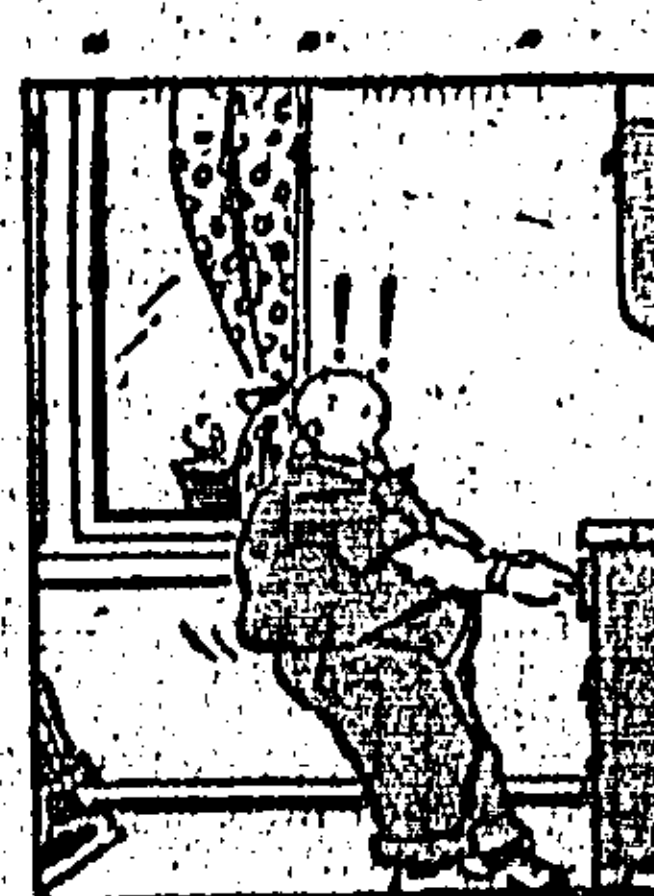
"The people have spoken and I always bow to the will of the people," Mr. Taylor said.

With 4,314 of the State's 4,720 precincts counted, Mr. Symington's growing total was 393,777. Mr. Taylor had 163,250.—Associated Press.

## Vandenberg Better

Washington, Aug. 6.  
General Hoyt Vandenberg, Chief of Air Staff, is expected to return to his duties on Aug. 15.

General Vandenberg, who had been seriously ill, was admitted to hospital on May 7.—France-Press.



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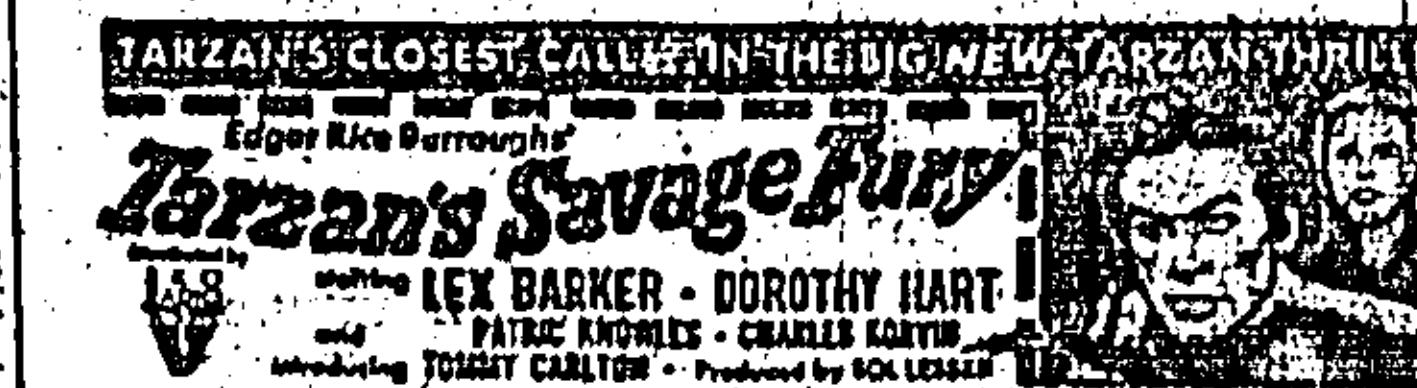
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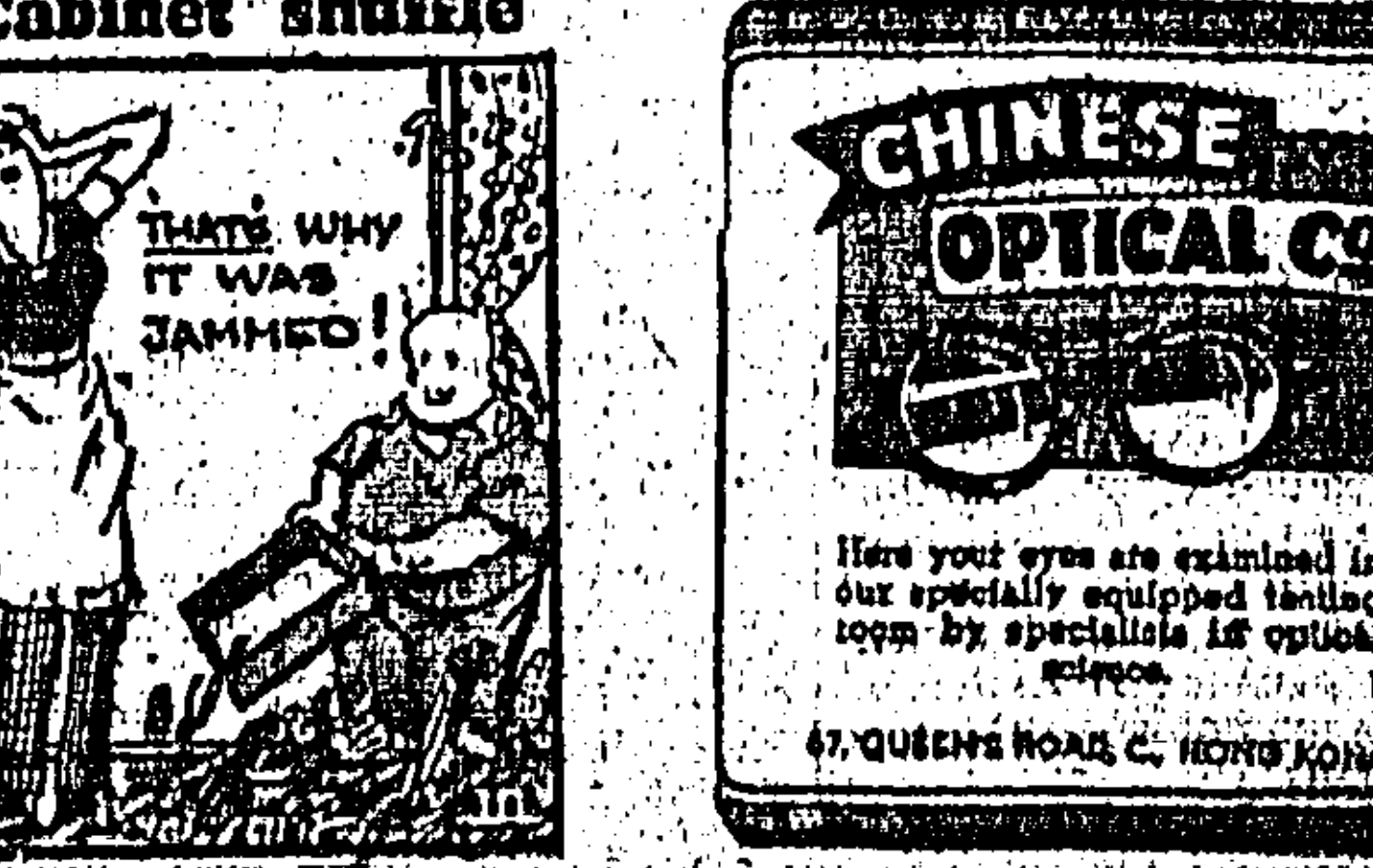
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## Honolulu Conference Due To Wind Up Today

**Labour Minister Faces Wages Problem**  
**Trouble With Unions A Possibility**

London, Aug. 6. The Wages Council for Britain's 630,000 food shop workers today handed over to the Minister of Labour, Sir Walter Monckton, the next move in Britain's current wages controversy.

Sir Walter touched off the row last month when he took the unusual course of asking 12 wages councils to reconsider increases they had approved for 1,500,000 workers.

The Minister reminded the councils, on which both employers and trade unions are represented, of the Government's call in May this year for wage restraint. The Retail Food Workers Council decided today to reaffirm its proposals.

Sir Walter has no power of veto but he can refer the proposals back to the Council again.

Industrial observers feel there will be trouble with the unions if the Minister decides to refer back the proposals for a second time.

### RAISES CONDEMNED

The proposed increases for shop workers are for an extra ten shillings a week for men and seven shillings a week for women.

The Agricultural Wages Board today confirmed a wage increase for Britain's 700,000 farm workers amounting to above £12-0-0,000,000 a year.

British shipbuilders and repairers rejected trade union demands for pay rises for more than 200,000 workers.

The National Union of Agricultural Workers condemned the farm workers' increases of five shillings a week for men and four shillings for women as "entirely inadequate."

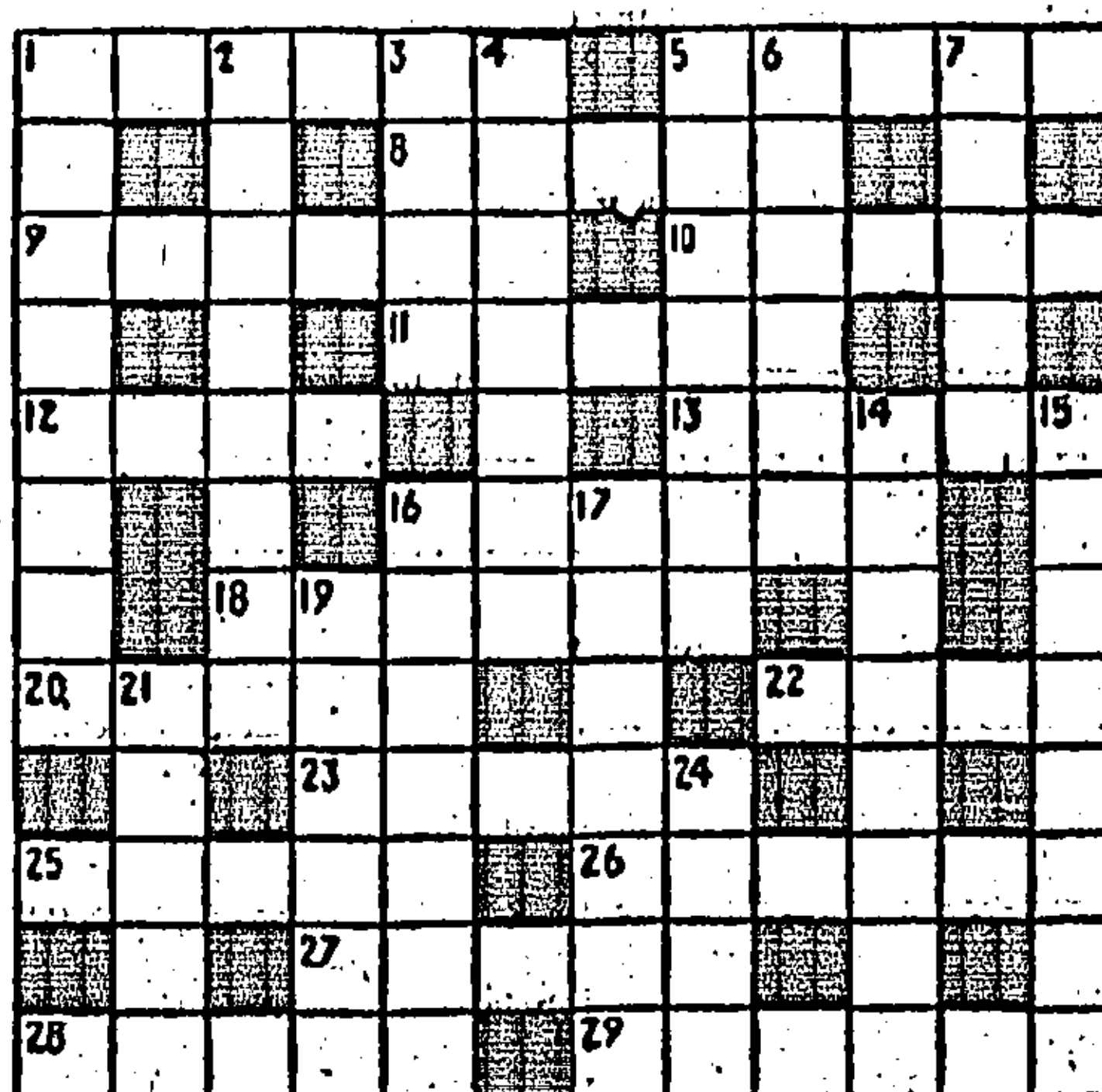
The new rates raise the men workers' pay to a minimum of £5 13/- and the women's to £4 7/- for a 47-hour week.—*Reuter.*

### Japanese Ship In Marseilles

Marseilles, Aug. 6. The first Japanese ship to dock at Marseilles since the war, the Helan Maru, arrived today.

Its arrival marks the re-establishment by Japan of shipping relations with France.—*France-Press.*

### A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Grief (8)
  - Coda (8)
  - Tooth (5)
  - Get moving (6)
  - Implied (5)
  - Entertain (6)
  - Dance (4)
  - Treated medically (5)
  - Noise of discharge (5)
  - Puzzle (5)
  - Trials (5)
  - Bundle (4)
  - Cook (5)
  - Hiding place (5)
  - Deceived (5)
  - Upright (5)
  - Bosom (5)
  - Offer (5)
- DOWN**
- Deduct (8)
  - Honours (8)
  - Leave out (4)
  - Harasses (7)
  - Bullfighter (7)
  - Speaker (5)
  - Venom (5)
  - Professor (8)
  - Bacon slices (7)
  - Ideal (7)
  - Engraved (5)
  - Elevate (5)
  - Glut (4)

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1 Behind, 5 Backed, 9 Feet, 10 Exiled, 11 Ruler, 12 Recurse, 14 Pose, 16 Egged, 18 Alone, 19 Idle, 20 Octave, 24 Spurt, 25 Eleven, 26 Dart, 27 Averse, 28 Source, Down: 1 Boer, 2 Hair, 3 Acres, 4 Deduce, 6 Stewed, 7 College, 7 Sprawl, 10 Lament, 13 Gossip, 14 Posture, 15 Seconds, 17 Glaze, 18 Lure, 21 Also, 22 Ever, 23 Rhyme.

The Foreign Ministers of the United States, Australia and New Zealand began the last and most important day of their talks today still undecided what ties, if any, they would seek with other non-Communist Pacific countries.

Also unsolved was the problem of a military staff to co-ordinate the mutual defence efforts of the ANZUS nations if they were ever called upon to repel an attack under the security treaty, which pledges each to come to the aid of the others.

An ANZUS spokesman predicted that the day's two meetings would last much longer than the scheduled two hours each, to permit the Foreign Ministers to finish their business and adjourn.

If the Council created by the ANZUS treaty is to be of any use, the Foreign Ministers must set up a military group paralling the political organisation which was finalised yesterday. There was speculation that the military organisation was put off until the final day because it is the toughest problem.

The United States may be afraid the Australians and New Zealanders will ask for definite commitments of weapons and tanks. Observers believed the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, is not prepared to make any promises in this direction.

Some question of equal voice may be raised, since the United States may want at least some sort of strategy co-ordination between its ANZUS defence planning and planning under other Pacific security alliances with the Philippines and Japan. No direct ties linking ANZUS with other United States Pacific treaties is expected out of this meeting.

A top Australian delegate, who would not be quoted by name, said flatly that no steps which conceivably could lead toward an overall Pacific defence tie-up would issue from the meeting. The Foreign Ministers so far have not even touched on the agenda item calling for discussion of their relations with other States and regional groups in the Pacific.

At the morning session, delegates resumed discussion of general Pacific problems which occupied yesterday's two-hour and 45-minute afternoon session. Emphasis on Pacific trouble spots unquestionably included Korea, Red China, Formosa and all Southeast Asia, including Indo-China, Malaya, Indonesia, Burma and perhaps India.

The Council will continue discussions on Thursday—should there be any ground left to cover.

A joint dinner for delegates and local dignitaries will be held tonight at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel Waikiki Beach. The press has not been invited.

The American delegate, Secretary of State Dean Acheson, met the Australian External Affairs Minister, Mr. Richard Casey, and the New Zealand External Affairs Minister, Mr. Thomas Clifton Webb, yesterday for all-in talks on Pacific problems.

Liaison officers said afterwards there was a difference of emphasis on some questions, but no actual disagreement among the delegates.

The Ministers agreed on the political organisation to be established under the Council.

The delegates have found time to bathe in the Officers Club pool at the air station, and on several occasions discussions on Pacific strategy have been carried on at the poolside.—*United Press and Reuter.*

### YOSHIDA'S FORECAST

Tokyo, Aug. 6. The Japanese Prime Minister, Mr. Shigeru Yoshida, said today that it was a foregone conclusion that the United States-Japan security agreement would develop into a Pacific alliance.

Mr. Yoshida made his observation in the course of an hour's conference with General Chang Chun, special envoy of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who arrived here on Sunday on a goodwill visit coincident with the ratification of the Sino-Japanese peace treaty.

Press reports said that Mr. Yoshida and General Chang had dinner together at the Premier's summer residence in Hakone and then discussed mutual and international problems for several hours.

### New Ruling On Trading With Tibet

London, Aug. 6. The Board of Trade announced tonight that in future British exporters would need export licences for any goods sent to Tibet.

The Board of Trade announced that "Tibet is excluded from the countries to which the open general licences apply."

A Government spokesman explained that broadly speaking, Tibet was now considered part of China.

The order becomes effective on August 11. British trade with Tibet is negligible. The reason for the new ruling is to close a possible exit for British strategic materials to China or elsewhere.

Other minor changes in licensing control were announced at the same time.—*Reuter.*

### Middle East Command

London, Aug. 6. Founder members of the projected Middle East Command—the United States, Britain, France, Turkey, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand—may confer to consider their attitude to Britain's suggestion that Cyprus be the headquarters of the regional planning organisation for the Command.

A further approach to Egypt, who declined an invitation to become a "founding" member, when the proposal was first mooted last year, would depend upon political developments in Cairo.

The establishment of the Middle East Command is expected to be one of the major subjects for discussion when the Turkish Premier, Mr. Adnan Menderes, and the Foreign Minister, Mr. Fuad Koprulu, pay their second visit to Britain, probably in October.—*Reuter.*

General Chang observed that the delegates working out an ANZUS Council in Honolulu regarded the rearmament of Japan as necessary to peace and security in the Far East and hoped that Japan would rearm as quickly as possible in view of the possibility of further Communist aggression in this area.

Mr. Yoshida concurred but pointed out that early rearmament would be difficult unless the Japanese people themselves became conscious of the necessity for such action. He recalled criticism levelled at him on Monday for saying that the National Police Reserve was "the cornerstone of the new army."

The Premier said that with Japan and Nationalist China as the foundation of the nation of the Pacific should be brought together in close co-operation.

It was at this point, according to Press reports, that he said that the United States-Japan security pact would develop into a Pacific alliance.

Discussing trade relations, Mr. Yoshida asked for Nationalist China's co-operation in furthering Japanese trade with South-East Asian countries. He pointed out that most of the business in this area was in the hands of the Chinese who gave their allegiance to Nationalist China.

Mr. Yoshida pointed out that unless Japan was able to increase trade in South-East Asia it might, through economic necessity, be forced to do business with Red China. He added that Japan was not able to trade directly with some countries such as Indonesia, the Philippines and Burma because diplomatic relations had not yet been established. Furthermore, Japan was reluctant to make inroads into British markets.

General Chang agreed with Mr. Yoshida's interpretation and promised to do his best to bring about closer Sino-Japanese commercial relations, according to the Press reports.—*United Press.*

### NO INVITATIONS

Honolulu Aug. 6. The Pacific Pact nations are opposed to inviting other Pacific Powers or countries concerned with security of the region to send observers to future Council meetings, it was learned authoritatively today.

The three Foreign Ministers of the United States, Australia and New Zealand agreed on this because they felt that there were too many Pacific interests who had an equal right to be represented.

One could not be asked without the others.

Circles close to the delegates expect the Council to make a definite announcement today that membership would be confined to the three countries.—*Reuter.*

### Farouk May Lose Fortune

Cairo, Aug. 6. Exiled King Farouk will get very little from the great fortune he left behind in Egypt, informed sources said tonight.

Government assessors have started the gigantic task of finding out the exact value of the ex-King's fabulous holdings and the sources said that it was doubtful if Farouk would get behind from the lands he left behind.

A two-man commission from the State Department set the assessors at their task, and decreed that no money or property could be sent to Farouk in exile without the approval of the Cabinet.

The assessors were expected to draw up a long list of unpaid taxes and customs dues on Farouk's land, a large proportion of which was administered by WAKF, Muslim charity organisation. Farouk owns 20,000 acres of land outright, which brings him an annual income of around £400,000. In addition he has great interests in other estates which bring in around £100,000

### Socialists In Again

Edmonton, Aug. 6. The Social Credit Party today held on to its power in Alberta, winning its fifth straight election since 1935. Return of the Government party headed by 43-year-old Ernest C. Manning was reported by the Canadian Press after the close of all polls.

The re-election of the party, which gained its first foothold in Canada in 1935 under the leadership of the late William Abernethy, was assured early by returns from rural constituencies. It is Canada's only Socialist government.—*Associated Press.*

### Rhee Certain Of Success In Elections

Pusan, Aug. 6. President Syngman Rhee was assured of his election as South Korea's first popularly chosen President today by running up a three to one majority over his two principal opponents.

With the vote from yesterday's election two-thirds in, Mr. Rhee had 3,089,800 votes to 1,744,545 for a former Communist, Mr. Cho Pong-am, and 640,081 for the former Vice-President, Mr. Lee Shi-yong. Mr. Hugh Cynn had 181,235.

The unofficial tally included 79 out of 103 electoral districts. However, the results included voting at Pusan, Seoul and Taegu, South Korea's largest cities, where a great share of the vote was concentrated.

The most interesting of today's developments was the surge made by 82-year-old Ham Tui-yung, Mr. Rhee's Vice-Presidential candidate. Mr. Ham had 707,543 votes to 530,899 for Mr. Lee Bum-suk, former Home Minister, who broke with the three several months ago.

Mr. Cho Pong-am had 222,180 votes. Mr. Ham was virtually unheard of until 10 days ago when his name appeared on the ballot.

Full and official returns are not expected until Thursday when the rural count will probably be completed.—*United Press.*

### Preventive Detention Bill Passed

New Delhi, Aug. 6. Overriding noisy Communist opposition, the Lower House of the Indian Parliament today passed an anti-Communist preventive detention bill by a vote of 298 to 61.

It extends until 1954 the right of Government authorities to arrest and hold subversives without trial. The bill now goes to the Upper House for approval.

For a month, while the measure was being debated, Parliament has been kept in an uproar by a noisy opposition while outside the building the Reds organised processions and demonstrations against the bill.

In a speech just before the votes were taken, the Home Minister, K. N. Katju, told the Red opposition: "This bill is intended to protect, these very masses in whose name you was so eloquent."—*Associated Press.*

# New Development In France's Battle With The Ruler Of Tunisia

## HAUTECLOCQUE'S SURPRISE MOVE

Tunis, Aug. 6. Count Jean de Hauteclocque, French Resident-General in Tunisia, today released the summary of the French reform plan submitted last Monday week to Sidi El Amine, the Bey of Tunis, for his approval and seal.

The Bey who at that time refused to affix his seal and is reported to have said that he wished to study the plan "for several months," has since summoned 48 advisers to discuss the documents with him.

The main features of the plan are an entirely new system of recruitment to the administration and the setting up of three courts—a legislative council, an administrative court of appeal, and a budgetary council to replace the old Tunisian Parliament, or "Grand Council."

The plan proposes that competitive examinations to enter the administration hitherto open to both Frenchmen and Tunisians should henceforth be reserved for Tunisians alone.

Only if there were more vacancies than successful candidates would French officials be seconded from France and, in exceptional circumstances, would Frenchmen be recruited locally.

Frenchmen at present serving in the Tunisian administration would have their jobs guaranteed.

The court of appeal proposed in the new plan would examine the legal validity of decrees.

Decisions of this court would lie in the last resort with the Bey.

It would not be competent to pronounce on legal, judicial or religious questions.

Another court, the legislative council, would examine all bills other than budgetary and financial ones.

The plan proposes that these questions be discussed by a new council, the budgetary council, to consist of 90 persons, 72 elected from different parts of Tunisia and 24 nominated by Tunisian Chambers of Commerce.

Half of these councillors would be French and half Tunisians.

Other features of the plan include wider powers for the Prime Minister and executive council, instead of nominations, to the Tunisian municipal councils.

**AURIOL'S APPEAL**  
M. Jean Auriol, a high French Foreign Office official and bearer of a message from the French President, M. Vincent Auriol, will see the Bey tomorrow.

Although contents of the presidential note, which was drafted by the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, have not been disclosed, it was believed to contain an appeal to the Bey to end the Franco-Tunisian crisis by agreeing to the new reform plan.

The Neo Destour Nationalist Party's Paris headquarters today issued a statement saying that it watched the latest negotiations "with interest," but that no understanding was possible "as long as a state of siege, censorship and concentration camps" existed in Tunisia.

French observers here pointed out that the Resident-General will not accompany M. Binchoe tomorrow to the Bey's Carthage Palace, and suggested that this was because the Resident did not believe the latest note would solve the Franco-Tunisian deadlock.

**CHANGE IN TACTICS?**  
Outline of the plan has already been published in Paris, but was only presented formally to the Bey two weeks ago.

Purpose of the Resident-General's publication now is believed by political observers in Paris to be to prepare the way

for a change in French tactics in her North African protectorate, where Nationalists staged widespread demonstrations earlier this year to back their demands for greater autonomy.

It was thought that if the Bey, Sidi Lamine, continues what is believed in Paris to be his delaying tactics France might decide to order the application of the reforms without his formal approval.

In taking such action the French Government would base itself on the protectorate's treaty, which calls on France to introduce progressive reform measures in the territory.

Tunisia, stretching from the coast down to the Sahara Desert, has been a French protectorate since 1881.

The reform plan, as announced in Tunis today, by Count de Hauteclocque, leaves unchanged French control of foreign policy and defence.

**THE KEY POINTS**  
Key points are:

1.—In the first phase of the reforms the Cabinet will continue to include both French and Tunisian Ministers, but the Tunisian Ministers will be able to issue orders in execution of legislation approved by the Bey under their own signature and without the counter-signature of the French Resident-General.

2.—The Ministerial Departments remaining under the direction of Frenchmen will have deputy heads of Tunisian nationality.

3.—The control of the civil service, hitherto reserved for the Secretary-General of the Presidency, will be handed over to the head of each Ministry, whether Tunisian or French.

4.—An administrative tribunal will be set up. This is considered a key measure in the reform plan. It is a kind of constitutional court of appeal which will decide on the legality of all administrative measures taken by Ministers or their departments. Although this function has been exercised by the Council of State in Paris.

The administrative council will consist of a French chairman, a Tunisian vice-chairman, four French judges and four Tunisian judges. The manner in which these members are nominated has not yet been published.

**BASIC PART**  
5.—The civil service will henceforth in principle be reserved to Tunisians. At present about 9,000 of the 20,000 civil servants are French. Frenchmen will be employed only if sufficient Tunisians do not qualify by examination for the civil service posts required.

6.—Municipalities, hitherto appointed, will be elected by universal suffrage.

This is regarded by the French as a basic part of the present phase of the autonomy programme because it is intended to provide the democratic

groundwork on which Parliamentary institutions can be built later. There is opposition to this among upper class Tunisians, who fear the introduction of a new group of popular leaders.

7.—Another innovation is the creation of a consultative assembly of 30 members, all Tunisians. In the first phase its members will be nominated by the Bey, and in progressive stages they will be elected by universal suffrage. This consultative assembly will advise the Bey on all legislation other than those relating to finance and the budget, but the Bey remains the final arbiter of all legislation in the first phase of the reforms.

This proposal has aroused the ire of the French residents in Tunisia, who see in it the thin end of a wedge which will deprive them of any control over legislation in Tunisia.

**SECOND ASSEMBLY**  
8.—The creation of a second assembly to deal with finance and the budget.

This financial council will have 80 members, half French half Tunisian. Three-quarters of them will be elected on a territorial basis. The other quarter will be nominated by the chambers of agriculture and industry. Members will remain in office for five years. The President will be French for one year, Tunisian for the next.

Published details of the plan do not make it clear whether the Bey can ignore the financial council's decisions, if he is in disagreement with them.

While the French residents object to the old-Tunisian consultative assembly, Tunisians protest against the financial council being half French. The French Government says this proportion is justified by the proportion of the Tunisian budget contributed by France.

The reform plan aims at internal autonomy. It leaves unchanged French control of foreign policy and defence.—*Reuter.*

### Embassy Chauffeur's Dodge Fails

Washington, Aug. 6. The District of Columbia has finally found a way to catch up with the chauffeur for the Saudi Arabian Embassy who escaped two speeding charges by claiming diplomatic immunity.

District Commissioners discovered that Walter Hook Jr., besides driving the Arabian Embassy's limousine also makes a living as a cab driver. The Commissioners cracked down on Hook yesterday by revoking both his hacker's and driver's permits.

Hook ran into trouble twice last week—once when he was caught by Maryland State troopers after a 90-mile an hour chase and the second time in the capital where he was arrested on charges of driving 60 miles an hour in a 25-mile speed zone. Both times he escaped prosecution by claiming diplomatic immunity.

But of diplomatic immunity has been a recurring source of friction between District officials, the State Department and the foreign colony in the capital. Under the rules diplomats cannot be arrested for traffic violations and the District is restricted to protesting through the State Department.—*United Press.*

### GENERAL'S TRIBUTE TO GERMANY

Bonn, Aug. 6. German military thinking can make a tremendous contribution to the defence strategy of the West, General Sir John Harding, Commanding British Army of the Rhine, said today.

"They are the only people who have had experience of the Russians," he added.

General Harding was answering a questioner at a lunch given by the Foreign Press Association.

He had told his troops that they should have a friendly approach to Germans so that with patience a real partnership could be built up with the West German soldiers in the European Army.

"It will obviously take a long time to heal old wounds but they do heal," he stated.

The European Army was clearly going to have a very difficult time in its early years. It had already had a difficult conception. But, given patience and a sense of give and take, it should pull through.—*Reuter.*

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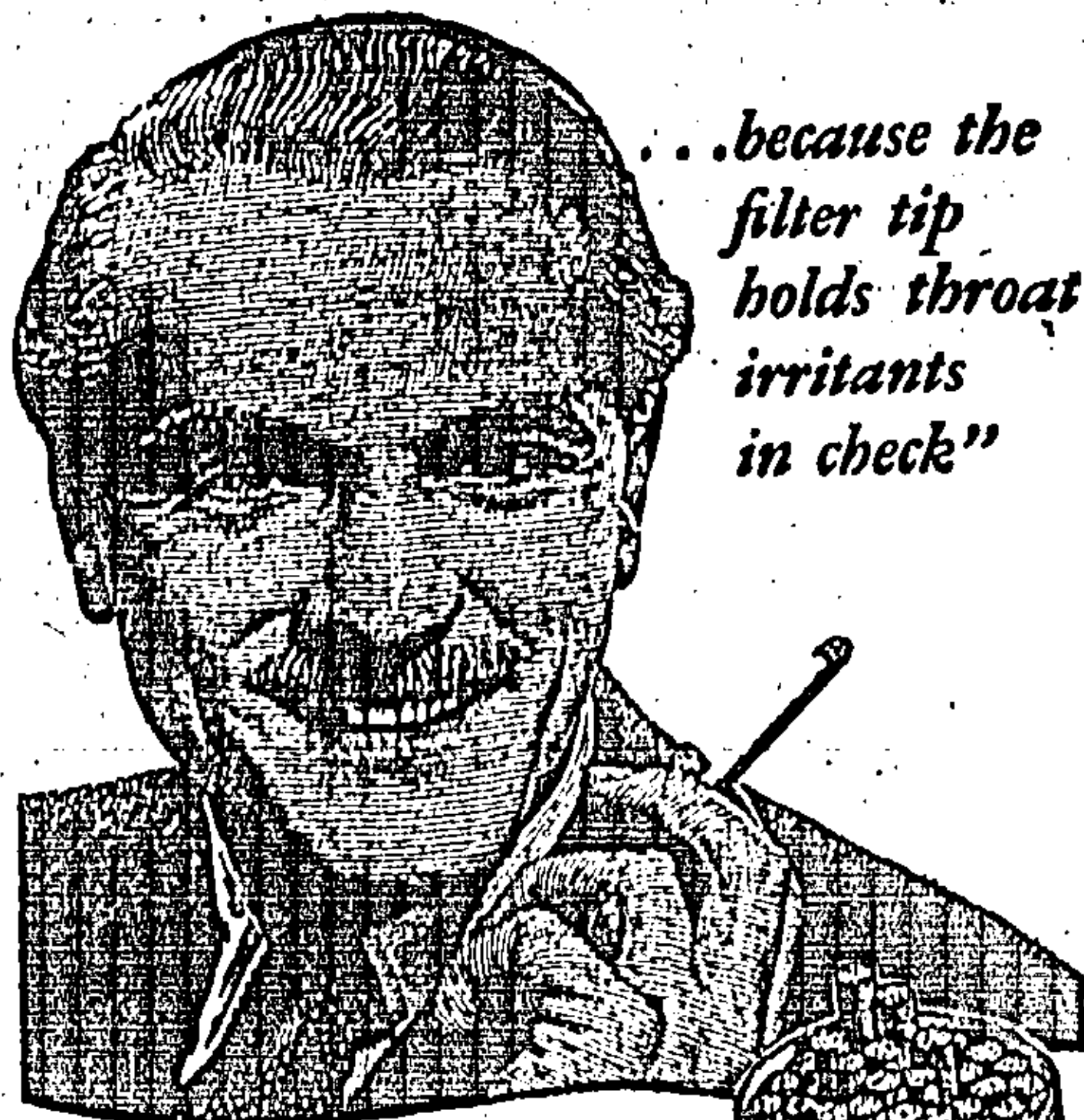
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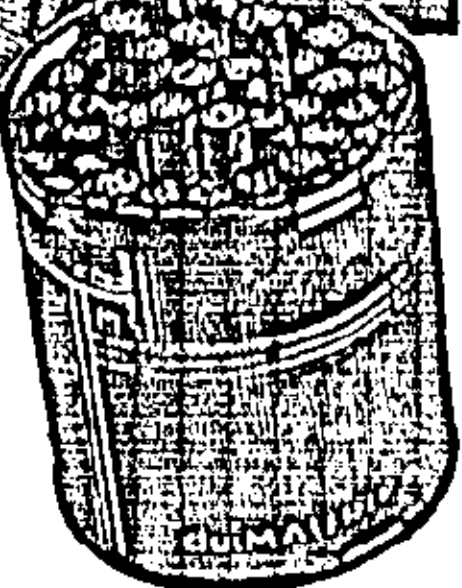


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Army—General Neguib—seizes power.  
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trigue.

Farouk is gone; his brother-in-law is  
eliminated as War Minister.  
The functionaries in Farouk's immediate en-  
tourage—some notorious for their unfortunate  
influence—are dismissed.

This is an internal affair which Britain's 50,000  
troops guarding the Canal Zone can only watch.

Provided British lives and property are un-  
touched we cannot interfere. Our Forces can be  
only a steady influence to halt extremists—  
and daunt possible Communist intervention.

He would be a rash man who tried to prophesy  
what is going to happen next, yet if out of the tur-  
moil a stable, honest Administration can be



"Repeat after me: 'I, Ahmed Fuad, son of Farouk, do solemnly swear, NO DICE, NO ROULETTE, NO LATE NIGHTS...'"  
London Express Service.

## THE TRAGEDY OF KING FAROUK

established, Anglo-Egyptian  
amity may once more be  
restored and the chances of  
a Middle East settlement  
enhanced.

I am strongly opposed  
to any idea of a republic for  
Egypt. The violence of op-  
posing political parties  
might then face no  
restraint. Stable govern-  
ment might be impossible.

In my time in Egypt the  
palace, as the fountain head  
of all honours and prefer-  
ments, exerted immense in-  
fluence over the national  
life.

Farouk was rich through  
inherited possessions. Him-

self, he was untainted by  
the prevalent corruption.

For all his peccadilloes,  
his bad publicity, his flam-  
boyant gallivanting in the  
casinos of Europe, Farouk  
happened to be the  
staunchest anti-Communist  
force in his country.

Throughout my dealings  
with him during the war  
he made no secret to me of  
his strong views on the  
post-war dangers of Rus-  
sian domination. It was easy

to misjudge Farouk. Re-  
member he was the first  
entirely independent  
sovereign of an independent  
Egypt. Young and often

impetuous, he may have  
shown himself unduly sen-  
sitive in his determination  
to keep the national honour  
intact.

None the less, he is an  
intelligent man with a  
grasp of the international  
issues at stake. I choose  
to believe he was not always  
happy over the ultra-  
nationalism pursued by  
his Ministers.

When the mob became  
over-inflamed and riots  
started this year, it was  
Farouk who called in the  
army to restore order, and  
summoned to office the very  
man General Neguib has  
now made Prime Minister—  
the astute Aly Maher  
Pasha.

It is the truth, of course,  
that by his folly Farouk has  
forfeited his wonderful  
heritage. He came to the  
throne as a boy Prince with  
a brilliant future.

### THE LAST OF THE FABULOUS MONARCHS

At Monte Carlo, Deauville, and Cannes Farouk  
gambled on a scale which the casinos have  
seldom seen. And frequently he won. At Monte  
Carlo last year ninety minutes' play brought  
him £20,000; two years ago he won £7,000 a  
night for several nights.

When he married the 16-year-old Narriman Sadek,  
it was said that the bride's presents were worth  
£2,000,000.

Spending, according to an incredible scale marked  
all Farouk's visits to Europe. His hotel bills ran  
to £1,000 a day. A circus of 60 servants went  
with him on his honeymoon trip.

His income was put at £2,000,000 a year. At  
various times he owned four palaces, large  
estates, two sea-going yachts, and had a  
squadron of personal aircraft.

In England, where he was brought up, he was  
frequently seen cycling through the lanes of  
Surrey. In Cairo, after succeeding to the  
throne at the age of 16, the cycle was  
exchanged for a red sports car. He loved to  
drive it at high speed. Among his many  
gadgets was one which imitated the sound of a  
dog being run over.

Few of his political pronouncements are on  
record. But some years ago he made a  
prophecy: "In a few years there will be only  
five kings left—the Kings of England, and the  
kings of hearts, spades, diamonds, and clubs."

## DON IDDON BERMUDA-BOUND

THIS is positively the  
Diary's last ap-  
pearance for some  
weeks. I am heading for  
Pink Beach, Bermuda.  
Everyone tells me that this  
is the wrong time of the  
year to go to Bermuda. All  
I know is that it is the  
right time of the year to  
get out of New York, leave  
Chicago far behind, escape  
politics, the heat, the mos-  
quitoes, the noise, the pace,  
and the pressure.

New York is subdued. It  
is almost as if the people  
have been bludgeoned into  
apathy and submission by  
the monstrous heat which  
has been roasting them  
alive for days.

Even the aftermath of the  
Democratic Convention has failed  
to stir or refresh them. New  
Yorkers want a holiday from  
politics.  
I think we have seen the last  
political Convention on the old  
pattern. The call is for stream-  
lined Conventions stripped of

Even so, out of the sawdust  
ring and the Barker shows near  
the Chicago stockyards a man has  
emerged who represents the best  
in American life.

Adlai Stevenson must have  
winced at the prolonged burles-  
que and recoiled from the bed-  
lam. He is a sensitive, subtle,  
profound, scholarly man. He  
stands apart from the politicians.  
He has a quality of distinctiveness  
which is rare and remark-  
able. He is an intellectual with  
a gift for sharp and penetrating  
analysis. He is resourceful and  
adroit.

To the end he refused all deals,  
bargaining, or trafficking for  
votes. He abhors the "fix" and  
the five-per-center. If there has  
been corruption in the De-  
mocratic Party, Stevenson will  
purge the party clean.

Many are confidently predicting  
he has the qualities and the rec-  
ord to beat Eisenhower. Where  
Eisenhower is often hackneyed  
and plodding in his speeches,  
Stevenson is original and  
imaginative.

From the British point of view  
(although it is supposed to be  
none of our business) both Con-  
ventions have turned out well.  
Both Eisenhower and Stevenson  
are confirmed internationalists,  
willing and eloquent admirers of  
British achievement and charac-  
ter.

But I said we would take a  
holiday from politics and politi-  
cians, even from Stevenson.

I would like also to take a  
holiday from readers, but feel  
it is a duty to answer some of  
the letters sent to me as a  
result of the homelown Diary.

Several readers apparently  
have the impression that I de-  
clared that the British could  
work harder. I did not. I  
merely reported that the people  
I listened to said harder work  
would restore, or help to restore,  
Britain's fortunes.

Miss Margaret Briggs, a York-  
shirewoman living in Chelten-  
ham, writes: "I wish you and  
others would continue to rub in  
the fact that the British man,  
generally speaking, is not work-  
ing hard enough.... You can talk  
anywhere in England to older  
men of experience and they will  
tell the same story that you do.  
As for your comments on the  
railways, the conditions are a  
disgrace to our country."

Mrs M. Williams of Southamp-  
ton writes: "It was hard work and  
pride of country that made Eng-  
land the greatest country in the  
world, and we, its people, glad  
and proud to belong to it. It  
seems as if some wicked influence  
has cast its spell over this lovely  
island."

What role will Aly Maher  
play?  
I knew this statesman  
well. He is a man of rapid  
decision, of strong charac-  
ter, with an agile, ingenious  
brain ably suited to finding  
a way through the  
Egyptian political lab-  
yrinth.

Aly Maher, a lawyer by  
profession, used to admire  
British character and  
methods. One of his pet

schemes before the war was  
to set up a school on the  
lines of the best type of  
English public school.

His Eton by the Nile, alas,  
did not materialise, but given  
a free hand he might well be  
the best man to lead his coun-  
try to a settlement of the issues  
in dispute with Britain.

Aly Maher was always a king's  
man from the worst of  
motives. He believed the  
monarchy was the best form of  
government for his country. He  
was the devoted servant of King  
Fuad, Farouk's father.

During the war, it is true,  
Aly Maher's record was  
wobbly. Like a few  
other highly placed  
Egyptians, he did  
not know which  
side was going to  
win. Prime Minister  
Aly Maher re-  
tired to his country  
estate.

What of Strong  
Man Neguib, and the Egyptian Army  
of which he is  
now commander-in-chief?

Fifty-two-year-old  
wiry Neguib, as  
far as I am in-  
formed, is an exceed-  
ingly efficient officer of  
integrity. He is  
typical of the keen, smart new  
school of young officers bred in  
wartime Egypt.

Whatever may be his ultimate  
ambitions it is fairly certain  
that he loathes civilian inter-  
ference with the professional  
life of the soldier.

I can think of no major in-  
stance in which the Egyptian  
Army has billeted, acted inde-  
pendently of the Egyptian  
Crown since General Arabi  
Pasha was defeated by Sir

In the light of the latest de-  
velopments how farcical it  
would have been if we had  
yielded to the claim that King  
Farouk should be declared  
King of the Sudan.

The Sphinx gazes on inscrut-  
ably over Egypt. Does she  
know the answer to this new  
twist in the riddle?

—(London Express Service)

One amusing letter from Albert  
Dunkley, of Bolton, Lancashire,  
says: "Does he [Iddon] have no  
time off at all? Good grief, no,  
he is much too busy drinking all  
the glasses of water supplied to  
American customers of the Pull-  
man Company and interviewing  
people slipping double glaze in  
London's swaggar holes, where,  
of course, all the really hard work  
is done."

"No charabanc trips or pleasure  
trips for him? No, he prefers to  
do things the hard way, rough-  
ly on the latest Transatlantic ferry.  
No sport, or cinema, or plain  
idling either. No, he is far too  
busy grooming, starching, brush-  
ing and polishing Britain to go  
to Old Trafford with his father.  
Lancasterians are all right—I  
know because I am a Londoner—  
get cracking and dig in the right  
places. How about that swaggar  
hotel in London for a start?"

All right, Albert, you would  
have done well in journalism.  
I think that is roughly a cross-  
section of the opinion expressed  
in the letters. After receiving  
them I feel almost guilty to take  
a holiday, but even newspaper-  
men must have a rest sometime,  
and I'm sure many of you want  
a rest from me.

Don Iddon

family life, a great get-back to

Garnet Wolseley at Tel-el-  
Kebir in 1882.

In all my years in Egypt it  
was axiomatic that the army  
was loyal to its King.

Has this cordial relationship  
changed? No one can say with  
complete authority—but all  
points to this crisis being a  
completely internal affair.

To say, for example, that  
Neguib's military coup is con-  
nected with the upheaval in  
Persia, which appears to  
threaten the Shah, would be  
the wildest guessing.

What alone is absolutely  
certain is the wisdom Britain  
has shown in standing firm by  
her Treaty rights to retain her  
troops on the Canal to guard  
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From  
SEBASTIAN PRATT

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Mutual Security," set up in  
1951 to do the spadework  
for the formation of an  
"Iron Curtain" military  
alliance to counter the At-  
lantic Pact, was ordered to  
proceed full speed ahead.

Originally composed only of  
the chiefs of staff of each of  
Russia's puppet states in Eastern  
Europe—Poland, Czechoslovakia,  
Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria—  
and headed by Russia's Marshal  
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# DAVID SHEPPARD BECOMES THE FIRST PLAYER TO TOP 2,000 RUNS THIS SEASON

London, Aug. 6.

David Sheppard, Cambridge University, Sussex and England batsman, today became the first player to top 2,000 runs this season. Sheppard reached the mark when he had scored four against Lancashire. He went on to make 70 before being caught brilliantly at short mid-wicket by Ken Grieves.

Though scoring was slow Sheppard was never dull, his leg side strokes being particularly stylish. With John Langridge he put on 140 in three hours 20 minutes for the Sussex opening partnership.

Rain again interfered with almost all the Championship matches.

Colin Ingleby-MacKenzie, an 18-year-old midshipman, relieved an otherwise uneventful day's cricket by hitting nine boundaries in a sparkling 61 for Hampshire against Middlesex. He drove and pulled the slow bowling of Denis Compton and later hooked and cut the new ball, when it was pitched short. He looked well set when he played on after batting 60 minutes.

Yorkshire dismissed Leicestershire cheaply on a soft and increasingly difficult pitch only the Australian pair of Victor Jackman and Jack Walsh putting up a real challenge to the bowlers. Together they put on 62 for the sixth wicket.

Holdsforth, taking four for 20, controlled his seam bowling well and gained the best figures of his career.

Charles Palmer took two wickets in three balls when Yorkshire batted but Frank Lawson pulled the innings round with a display of masterly concentration in making 57 in two hours.

Glamorgan, put in to bat by Nottinghamshire, gave a sorry display. They found Colin Matthews in deadly form and he took five for 26, his best performance for the county. His first four wickets cost only ten runs.

At Blackpool—Lancashire vs. Sussex. Sussex 180 for two (Sheppard 70, John Langridge not out, 70). Rain restricted play.

At Worcester—Worcestershire vs. Scotland. Worcestershire 28 for one. No further play was possible owing to rain.

At Southend—Essex vs. Gloucestershire. Gloucestershire 299 for 10 (Young 65, Miller 68).

At Canterbury—Kent 79 (Pheby 55, Gladwin, right-arm fast medium swing, four for 36). Derbyshire 123 for 3. (Willatt 69, Elliott 55).

At Leicester—Leicestershire 142 (Holdsforth 4 for 20). Yorkshire 110 for three (Lawson, not out, 71).

At Nottingham—Glamorgan 120 (Matthews 5 for 26). Nottinghamshire 117 for one (Simpson, not out, 57, Stokes 53).

## INDIAN TOUR

Birmingham, Aug. 6. Rain curtailed play for two hours today in the match between the Indian tourists and Warwickshire. Here, during which time the Indians made 60 for two wickets.

It was only by the sporting gesture of Vijay Hazare, the Indian Captain, that the 12,000 crowd saw as much play as they did. He agreed to the match starting half an hour before lunch, although the ground surrounding the pitch was still very wet.

With so little play it was not possible to judge fully the capabilities of Keith Dollery and Jack Corder, the two Australian pace bowlers qualifying for the county, especially as the sudden pitch was unhelpful either to pace or spin.

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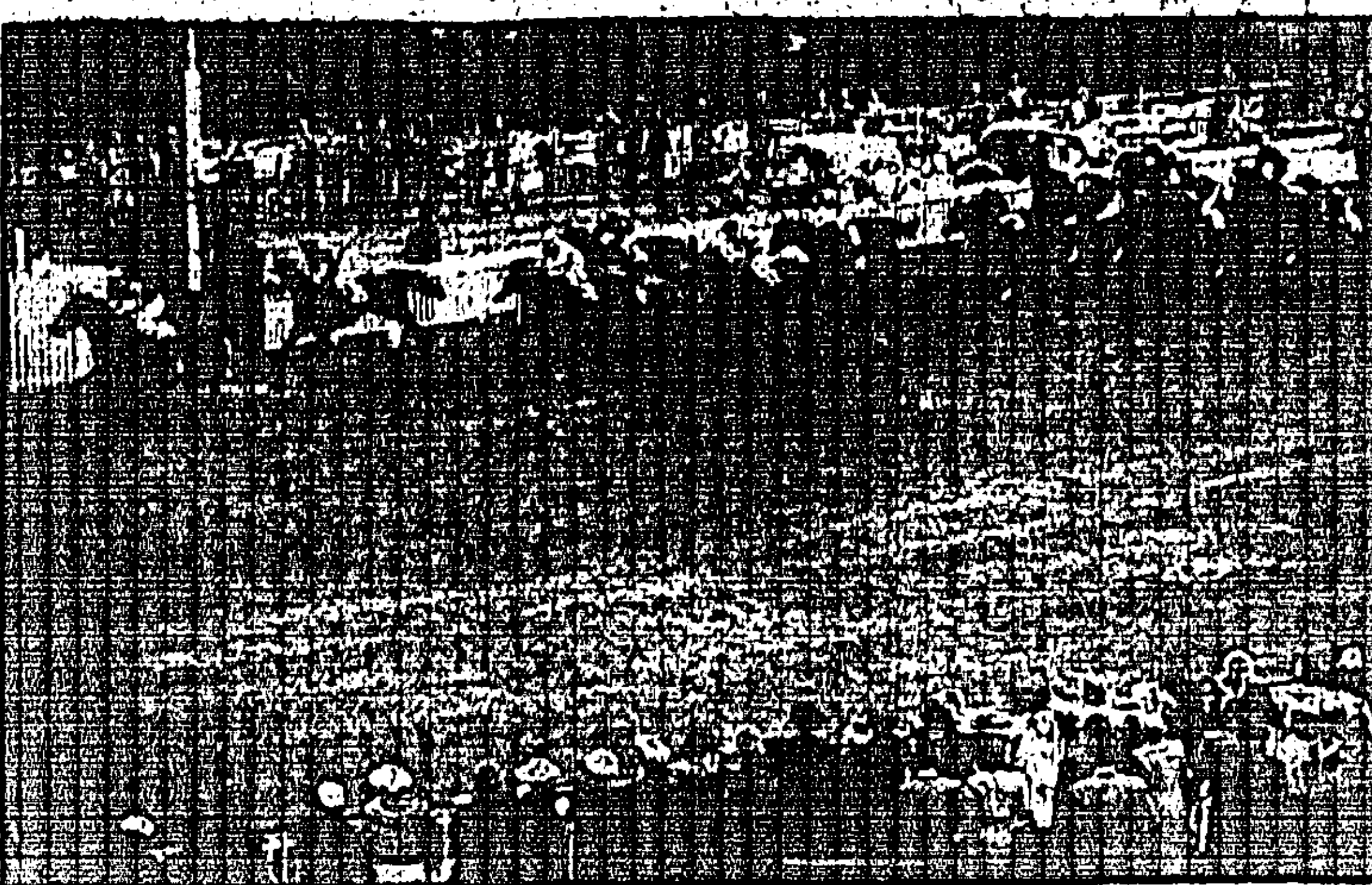
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## OPENING DAY OF GOODWOOD



Opening day of Glorious Goodwood, and this picture shows the finish of the big race, the Steward's Cup which was won by Smokey Eyes (C. Smirke up) from Vatelius (No. 14) and Wild Boy (No. 21). — Central Press Photo.

## The Skipper—His Example Has Inspired Surrey In The Fight For The Championship

It's just like a schoolboy's cricket dream come true! You play for your county, do moderately well with your pace bowling, make a few good scores and take any catch that comes your way—and some that don't.

Then you are appointed captain, and in your first season as skipper you win the greatest honour County Cricket has to offer—you lead your team to victory in the Championship.

Yes, it is working out that way for Surrey's captain, fair-haired 35-year-old Walter Stuart Surridge.

Nothing but unparalleled disaster for the rest of the season can stop Surrey being the new County Champions.

They were joint Champions with Lancashire in 1950, but their last outright success was in 1914.

What manner of man is this Surridge, and how has he inspired a team that was only sixth last season to be such a challenging, match-winning combination?

**HAS THE GIFT** "Inspired" is the key word, Surridge has the gift that is essential to any great captain.

His enthusiasm on and off the field, and his skilful leadership of a variety of

complex personalities off-the-field control is a vital factor—has inspired the whole Surrey side.

The drive and force of his personality have changed Surrey from a good team to a championship team of last-ditch fighters willing to take every risk to win.

Watch Surridge on the field. He flings down his fast-medium stuff as if his life depended on it.

With the bat he is always willing to "have a go." His close-in fielding is in the classic intimidating pattern of those former Surrey stars, Percy Fender and Bill Hitch.

Indeed, the Surrey fielding has been one of the season's highlights.

"We had a little chat between ourselves," Surridge told me, "and the fielding has improved terrifically."

"Then, too, in Eric Bedser and Dave Fletcher we have an opening pair who have continually given us a good start. That helps a lot."

"But the whole team has pulled together."

### BEST POSSIBLE USE

Surridge believes, too, in making the best possible use of his resources. If he has a sticky problem he doesn't hesitate to consult Laurie Fishlock, his senior professional.

He is the first to admit that Fishlock's advice has been invaluable.

He gave up Rugby, which he loves, because he did not want to spoil his cricket prospects by any possible winter injury.

As a boy at Emanuel School, Wandsworth, he captained the cricket side, got his Rugby colours, and boxed for his house. He was a wicket-keeper until he was 15, and then tried fast bowling.

After leaving school he went back to wicket-keeping with the Horley club, "Razor" Smith, the old Surrey slow-medium bowler, persuaded him to take up fast bowling again and he has stuck to it.

He has taken up golf, got down to a ten handicap, and plays a better-than-average game of squash.

His father didn't believe in a boy neglecting his work for cricket.

### WORK CAME FIRST

Surridge was encouraged to play, and helped in every way, but first he had to be at the office at 8 a.m. and put in some hours before he was allowed away to the nets. He worked in every branch of the family business.

Today he and his brother Percy run two 250-acre farms, at Horley and Aldermaston, where they breed pedigree Frisian cattle.

He made his county debut in 1939 and won his cap in 1943. Surridge has his own way of keeping fit in the winter.

After choosing the willow trees to be used for cricket bats, he helps in the strenuous job of felling them with the big cross-cut saws.

"It's hard work," he says, "but you build up strength and muscles. And I enjoy it."

There is a young Surridge—aged eight months—and the Surrey skipper hopes he will be a cricketer too.

"But I think I will make him a batsman first—and then a slow spin bowler."

Two of the finest captains in cricket history—Percy Fender and Douglas Jardine—led Surrey in their time, but not to the Championship.

Now a comparative "unknown" has his great chance.

None of the mighty ones of the past will grudge him the glory. —(London Express Service)

## Jack Iverson Available For England Tour

Melbourne, Aug. 6. Jack Iverson, star Australian spin bowler with the unorthodox grip, hopes to be available for selection against South Africa next season and for the tour of England next year.

Iverson, who announced his retirement from cricket for business reasons after the 1950-51 Test series against England, did not play against the West Indies last season.

He said here tonight that he had recovered from an ankle injury which hampered him in the last two Tests against England. He has trained throughout the Australian winter and is confident he can regain the form that gave him 47 wickets at an average of 20.7 runs in his last first-class season here.

Iverson, who is six feet three inches, does not grip the ball in the usual way for leg-breaks, googlies and top spinners, but spins the ball off the thumb and bent-double middle finger.

Reuter.

## N. W. D. Yardley's Cricketer Bureau

## WICKET-KEEPERS KEEP UP FIELDING SIDE'S MORALE

Even a first-class fielding side loses much of its efficiency and morale unless it has a good wicket-keeper, whose value to a side cannot be overestimated.

Yet the standard of wicket-keeping in English club cricket is not nearly as good as it ought to be. Let me, with the help of Don Brennan, the Yorkshire and England wicket-keeper, point out some of the chief faults.

The greatest mistake young wicket-keepers make is to stand at what I call the "halfway house." That is to say, they take up a position neither right up to the wicket nor right back.

If playing on a good wicket the best position, of course, is up to the wicket, where you can stump as well as catch. But there is no virtue in trying to be heroic, and you should never think twice about standing back to fast or fast-medium bowling if it is advisable both for safety and efficiency.

Stand back far enough so that you can take the ball after it has passed its highest point and starts to drop.

### NO FLOURISHES

At the "halfway house" you have no chance of stumping and you are far too close for efficient catching. With fast bowling the chances of catches from stumps far outnumber those of stumpings.

Movement when standing up to the wicket should be kept to a minimum. Cut out all unnecessary flourishes. The ball will slide off the off, or leg stump, presents the problem. The tendency is to move right over with the body, but in so doing you go too far to get back for a quick stumping.

The correct method is to move to one side or other by moving the appropriate leg. All that is then needed to bring the ball back to the wicket is a swing of body and arms. Also, the less movement the better, balanced will you be. You should be in a position to whip off the balls.

Another fault is that of getting up from the crouching position too soon. You must remain in the crouched position as long as possible, as it is far easier to get up quickly than to go down.

### WATCH THE BALL

The tendency to rise quickly may be due in many cases to watching the batsman and not the ball. The batsman's "stroke" should be of no interest to a wicket-keeper, whose job is to watch the ball and watch it the whole way from the bowler's hand to the pitch and right into his gloves. Failure to do this will result in a match at the ball. And a match usually means a dropped catch.

Do you, as a keeper, know what a bowler is trying to do? Is he bowling an outswinger, off-break, leg-break, or googly? If you don't, then it means you are not watching the bowling hand. Whereas it is wrong to anticipate a ball turning from the wicket, it is essential that you are expecting it to turn and to know which way it will go.

### CONCENTRATE

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"HUPEH"	Tientsin	10 a.m.	8th Aug.
"YUNNAN"	Shanghai	10 a.m.	8th Aug.
"BOOHOW"	Bangkok	10 a.m.	8th Aug.
"FUKIEN"	Kobe, Yokohama, Nagoya & Osaka	10 a.m.	8th Aug.
"FENGTIEN"	Djakarta, Semarang, Sourabaya & Macassar	10 a.m.	10th Aug.
"FUNGING"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan	10 a.m.	11th Aug.
"SHENGKING"	Keelung	5 p.m.	13th Aug.
"SHANSHI"	Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	10 a.m.	16th Aug.
"FAKHOT"	Singapore & Penang	10 a.m.	17th Aug.
"HUNAN"	Tientsin	10 a.m.	18th Aug.
"SHENGKING"	Keelung	5 p.m.	20th Aug.

\* Sails from Customs Wharf

ARRIVALS FROM			
"FUNGING"	Moji	8th Aug.	
"SHENGKING"	Keelung	7 a.m.	11th Aug.
"SHANSHI"	Bangkok	13th Aug.	
"FAKHOT"	Moji	14th Aug.	
"HUNAN"	Tientsin	14th Aug.	

## A.O. LINE LTD./C.N. CO., LTD., JOINT SERVICE

SAILINGS TO			
"CHANGTE"	Sydney & Melbourne	Noon	8th Aug.
"TAIYUAN"	Sydney & Melbourne	21st Aug.	
"CHANGSHIA"	Japan	21st Aug.	
"TAIPING"	Japan	22nd Aug.	

ARRIVALS FROM			
"CHANGTE"	Kobe	In Port	
"TAIYUAN"	Moji	15th Aug.	
"CHANGSHIA"	Australia & Manila	17th Aug.	
"TAIPING"	Australia & Manila	19th Aug.	

## BLUE FUNNEL LINE

Scheduled Sailings to Europe via Aden & Port Said			
"ASTYANAX"	Dublin & Liverpool	26th Aug.	
"AENEAS"	Genoa, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg	27th Aug.	
"PERSEUS"	Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	6th Sept.	
"AGAPENOR"	Dublin & Liverpool	20th Sept.	
"CALCHAS"	Genoa, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg	27th Sept.	

Scheduled Sailings from Europe			
Sails	Sails	Arrives	
"AENEAS"	Liverpool	10th Aug.	
"PERSEUS"	do	17th Aug.	
"ASCANIUS"	do	23rd Aug.	
"AGAPENOR"	do	31st Aug.	
"CALCHAS"	do	10th Sept.	
"PYRRHUS"	12th Aug.	10th Aug.	
"AUTOMEDON"	18th Aug.	23rd Sept.	
"ATREUS"	25th Aug.	1st Oct.	

G. Loading Glasgow, before Liverpool.  
S. Loading Swanes, before Liverpool.  
Carriers' option to proceed via other ports to load & discharge cargo.

## DE LA RAMA LINES

ARRIVING via MANILA FROM			
"AJAX"	U.S. ATLANTIC & PACIFIC COAST PORTS	18th Aug.	
"ANDAMAN"	FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES and CRISTOBAL	31st Aug.	

SAILING for KINGSTON, NEW YORK, via SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES and CRISTOBAL.  
"MENESTHEUS" 18th Aug.

## Eastern Pacific Airways Ltd.

Route	Departs Hongkong	Arrives H.K.
HK/Bangkok/Singapore (DC-4)	7.30 a.m. Mon. Thurs. 6.45 a.m. Tues. Fri.	10 a.m. (on return)
HK/Hanoi/Haiphong (DC-3)	11.00 a.m. Tues. 3.30 p.m. Wed.	
HK/Singapore (DC-4)	10.45 a.m. Tues. 6.45 p.m. Wed. Sat.	
HK/Manila/B.N. Borneo (DC-3)	7.00 a.m. Tues. Fri. 4.45 p.m. Wed. Sat.	

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BRANCH OFFICE: 50 Connaught Rd. West. Tel: 2587/532/44/2487/3

# BEN LINE

## ARRIVALS

FROM	DUE
"BENMHOR"	U.K. via Singapore on or abt. 19th Aug.
"BENALBANACH"	Japan 27th Aug.
"BENATTOW"	U.K. via Singapore 1st Sept.
"BENNEVIS"	U.K. via B.N. Borneo 3rd Sept.
"BENCRUACHAN"	Japan 12th Sept.
"BENCRUACHAN"	Japan 20th Sept.
"BENMHOR"	U.K. 28th Sept.

## SAILINGS

FROM	DUE
"BENMHOR"	Kure, Kobe and Yokohama 23rd Aug.
"BENALBANACH"	Direct to Singapore, thence Liverpool, Avonmouth & Rotterdam 28th Aug.
"BENATTOW"	Havre, London, Rotterdam and Antwerp 5th Sept.
"BENNEVIS"	Avonmouth, Liverpool and Hamburg 9th Sept.
"BENCRUACHAN"	Direct to Singapore, thence Liverpool, Dublin, Glasgow and Hamburg 12th Sept.
"BENCRUACHAN"	Kure, Kobe and Yokohama 24th Sept.
"BENMHOR"	Direct to Singapore, thence London, Rotterdam and Hull 29th Sept.

\* Calls Manila and Cebu.

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## REMOVAL NOTICE

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED, announces its removal to Temporary Premises at CHUNG TIN BUILDING, 5, Des Voeux Road, Central.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

m/v "ASTYANAX"  
Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed at Hoi's Wharf between 10 a.m. and Noon on August 6 and 7, 1952, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.  
Hongkong, August 6, 1952.

## NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG Probate Jurisdiction

IN THE GOODS OF LI SHU PANG (李樹平) alias LI CHOK HANG (李作平) alias LI FOOK (李福) late of No. 8 Conduit Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, Merchant, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court, by virtue of Section 25 (1) of the Probate and Administration Ordinance Chapter 10, made an Order limiting a time for creditors and others to send in their claim against the above Estate to the 26th day of August, 1952.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.  
Dated this 26th day of July, 1952.  
DEACONS, Solicitors for the Executor Prince's Building, Hong Kong.

## AGENCIES

EXPANSION WATCH BAND. Swedish wholesaler wishes contact with manufacturers. Offers with sample to "80437" Gumallus Advertising, Stockholm, Sweden.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

MAERSK LINE m/v "TREM MAERSK" having arrived from New York and Ports of call, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk and expense into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where they will be examined on 12th August, 1952, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.  
Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried to port to be put to the final port of call in which the option extends.  
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 12th August, 1952, will be subject to rent.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 12th August, 1952, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.  
To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.  
All claims must reach us before the 6th September, 1952, or they will not be recognised.  
No insurance will be effected.  
JESSEN & CO. Agents.  
Hongkong, 6th August, 1952.

# Round-The-World Five Seek A Sixth Adventurer

London, Aug. 6.

Five Canadians are in Britain to look for a boat in which to sail round the world—and for a sixth man to go with them.

They plan to leave Britain for the Canary Isles this month, wait there until the hurricane season is over, and then cross the Atlantic to the Bahamas.

Why did the Canadians (all from Ottawa) come to Britain to begin their adventure?

"Originally we meant to sail from Florida," said 23-year-old Bruce Kirby, who with 20-year-old Cameron Rourke, is joint leader of the party.

"We couldn't find a suitable boat there. There are more for sale in England." Much of their gear is being obtained in England. They are testing equipment from several manufacturers.

## EX-NAVY MEN

The five are staying in a small hotel at Esher, Surrey, in a hurry place for getting to the sailing area of the party.

Other members of the party are Bill Down (27), Kelvin Brownson (28) and Edward Hughes. Kirby and Hughes are expert yachtsmen; Down and Brownson both served in the Navy. Brownson is a radio operator and Down is taking a course in tropical diseases at London University to cope with illnesses which arise on the trip.

And the sixth man? The five hope he will be an experienced deep-sea sailor.

## To ADVERTISERS

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For the SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST and the CHINA MAIL, 48 hours before date of publication.

Special Announcements and Classified Advertisements as usual.

From the Bahamas, the trip will be through the Panama Canal to the South Sea Islands on to Australia.

The route, back has not been settled.

## TAXI VENTURE

Four girls and two young men living at Hampstead have bought an old taxi for £25 and plan to make a 6000 mile tour of Europe in it.

Three of the girls, Margaret Galloway, Joan Stevens and Louise Irwin, are Canadians. The other, Margaret Brown, is an Australian. They all share a flat in Avenue Road.

Leading the party will be art student John Hooper and architect Bill Morris, of Oakhill Park, Hampstead.

Said Louise Irwin: "The girls saved up their money in order to have a good look at Britain. Now we want to see Europe before we go home."

All the girls can drive and change a tyre. But John will do the cooking.

## SHE GOES ALONE

Sherm Phillips, 22-year-old blonde from Perth, Australia, is half-way through a round the world tour which she thinks will take three or four years.

Sherm, who arrived in Britain in July, is taking jobs on her tour to save up for the next stage of the journey. She is a competent operator, but took a job as a cinema usherette for a while in London.

Between jobs she has visited Scotland, Holland, France, Germany, Switzerland and Norway. In September, she leaves for Montreal. She plans to spend the winter and early 1953 summer in Canada, and then leave for home—London Express Service.

# P.O.B.I.E. & A COMPANIES

## PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL S.N. CO.

### PASSENGER/FREIGHT SERVICE

Outwards	Leaves London	Due Hongkong
"CORFU"	24th July	23rd August
"CANTON"	21st August	22nd September

Via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang & Singapore

Homewards	Leaves Hongkong	Due London
"CORFU"	20th August	29th September
"CANTON"	20th Sept.	27th Oct.

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden, Port Said & London

### FREIGHT SERVICE

Outwards	Arrives	From
"SOCIOTA"	24th August	U.K., Continent, via Straits
Homewards	Sailing	For
"SHILLONG"	10th August	Straits, Colombo, Aden, Port Said, Genoa, Marseilles, Casablanca, London, Havre, Antwerp & Rotterdam

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Colombo, Aden, Port Said, Genoa, Marseilles, Casablanca, London, Hamburg, Antwerp & Rotterdam, with liberty to call at Bombay if inducement offers.

Tanks available for carriage of oil in Bulk. Space for refrigerated cargo. Limited Passenger accommodation.

## BRITISH INDIA S.N. CO., LTD.

"SANTHA"	due 17th Aug.	from Calcutta, Rangoon, Penang & Singapore
"SIRDHANA"	sails 18th Aug.	for Japan
	due 16th Aug.	from Japan
	sails 20th Aug.	for Singapore, Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta

(These vessels have refrigerated cargo space)

## P. & O. B. I. JOINT SERVICE

	sails 17th Aug.	for Singapore Colombo, Bomba Karachi & Persian Gulf
"OZARDA"	due 17th Aug.	from Persian Gulf Karachi, Bomba Colombo, Singapore
	sails 18th Aug.	for Japan

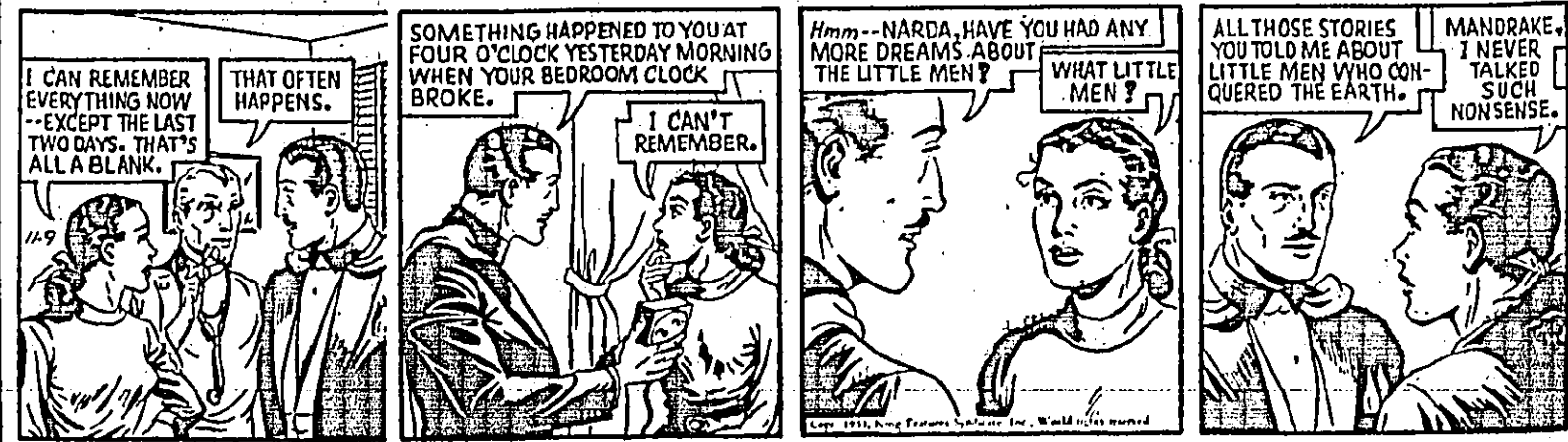
## EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN S.S. CO., LTD.

"EASTERN"	due 7th Aug.	from Australia
"NELLORE"	loads 27th Aug.	for Borneo, Port, Tanakan, Hongkong, Loo, Brisbane, Newcastle, Sydney & Melbourne

All vessels have liberty to call at any ports on or off the route & the route & sailing are subject to change or amendment with or without notice.

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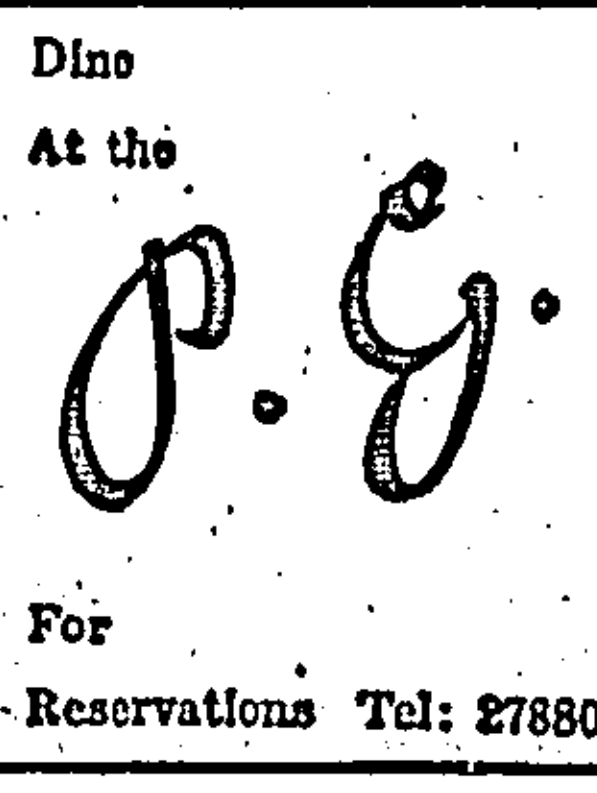
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## JOHNNY HAZARD



## AMERICAN CASUALTIES IN KOREA



Washington, Aug. 6.  
Announced U.S. battle casualties in Korea reached 114,310 today, an increase of 642 since last week.  
The Defence Department's weekly summary based on notifications to families through last Friday reported:

	Increase	New Total
Killed in action	21	18,008
Wounded	570	83,768
Missing (X)	25	12,497
Total	616	114,310
Battle deaths (Y)	102	20,087
Current missing (Z)	98	9,469
(X) Decrease		
(Y) Includes killed in action, 1,879 fatally wounded and 202 dead, originally reported missing		
(Z) After deducting from gross total 1,385 returned, 1,493 known captured and 202 known dead.		

Following is a breakdown of the casualties by services:

	Increase	New Total
Army	537	82,380
Navy	1	1,497
Air Force (X)	1	1,213
Marine Corps	100	19,480
	—	Associated Press.

## PRAGUE TRIAL

Vienna, Aug. 6.  
Five former high officials of a Czechoslovakian constituent operative have been sentenced to long terms of imprisonment for sabotage, abuse of their position and black market activities, according to reports reaching here today.  
The trial, attended by many workers' delegations, lasted from July 31 to August 6.—Reuter.

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## MESSAGERIES MARITIMES



	Arriving	Leaving	Outward For
"GRENABLE"	Aug. 27	Sept. 1	Europe
"FALAISE"	Sept. 1	Sept. 21	Europe
			Homeward For
"MEKONG"	Reefing Aug. 10	Aug. 11	N. Africa & Europe
"FELIX ROUSSEL"	Aug. 10	Aug. 18	Marseilles via Manila
"COURSEULLES"	Sept. 1	Sept. 9	N. Africa & Europe

For passenger and freight.  
For freight to Saigon, Algiers, Oran, Tangier, Casablanca, Havre, Dunkirk, Antwerp & Rotterdam.  
Accepting cargo:  
-via Marseilles to all Mediterranean & West Africa Ports.  
-via Djibouti to Madagascar.  
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CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES  
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Queen's Building (gr. floor) Tel. 26651 (8 lines).

## EVERETT LINES

## EVERETT ORIENT LINE

Fast cargo and passenger service refrigeration space available for Korea, Japan, China, Philippines, Indo-China, Siam, Malaya, Burma and East Coast Indian Ports.

## "REBEVERETT"

Arrives Aug. 8 from Singapore.  
Sails Aug. 9 for Japan.

## "BRADEVERETT"

Arrives Aug. 12 from Manila.  
Sails Aug. 13 for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta.

(Accepting cargo for transshipment Kobe/Fusan and Kobe/Okinawa)

## EVERETT STAR LINE

Fast cargo and refrigeration spaces available for Korea, Japan, China, Philippines, Indo-China, Siam, Malaya, Ceylon, West Coast Indian and Persian Gulf Ports.

## FIRST CLASS PASSENGER ACCOMMODATION

## M.S. "THAI"

Arrives Aug. 10 from Philippines.  
Sails Aug. 11 for Kobe, Osaka, Nagoya & Yokohama.

## M.S. "NORDSTJERNAN"

Arrives Aug. 14 from Japan.  
Sails Aug. 15 for Singapore, Madras, Colombo, Bombay, Karachi, Kharramshahr & Basrah.

(Accepting cargo for transshipment Kobe/Fusan and Kobe/Okinawa)

EVERETT STEAMSHIP CORPORATION S/A  
Queen's Building, Telephone 31206.  
Chinese Department: Telephone 28293.

## The Rubber Markets

Singapore, Aug. 6.  
Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows—

Number 1 rubber, per lb. September	80 1/2-81
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 1952.

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## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### The Holiday Girl

THROUGH the grey winter months, Monica at her workbench in the factory was sustained in spirit by the thought of what was to come in July. When the factory closed down in the late spring, and Monica fell out of work, the thought of what lay ahead in July supported her in the empty days of hollow freedom.

In July, Monica was to have a holiday by the sea. For a week she would exchange the deadly quiet of her small hometown in Hertfordshire, where nothing ever happened to her, for a gay seaside resort where, if the magazine stories she read were to be believed, any kind of delight and adventure might come her way.

The holiday was arranged to the smallest detail, and had been paid for long in advance, when she was working still; and as she lived at home with her parents, the great week was not imperilled financially by her unemployment.

A FEW days before her holiday was due to begin, Monica came to London. No doubt there were little things to be bought for the seaside that could not be had nearer home. At all events she brought with her plenty of money—£2—and set off round the Oxford Street shops.

At one shop a store detective saw her pick up a bundle of 13 pairs of what were later described as "white lady's ankle-socks," stuff them into a paper carrier-bag, and walk out of the store without having paid for them.

In the street the detective caught up with Monica and took her back to the manager's office. The police were called, and Monica was arrested. At the police station she first gave a wrong name and address but in the end they found who she was, and next morning she was charged with the theft before Mr Paul Bennett VC.

"I PAID for ten pairs of socks," she said from the dock, "but it's right what they say. I did steal the others."

AS the charge was of stealing 13 pairs, not three, a plea of not guilty was entered, and the story was told in detail to the magistrate. And while it was being told you could see that Monica's mind was far away from the business on hand, as if her thoughts were already on holiday. The great day was very near now.

Monica is 27 years old, with frizzy fair hair. She wears spectacles and is one of those who do not alter much in looks from their mid-twenties to their middle-fifties. She had next to nothing to say for herself, and the case was proved against her.

There were three previous convictions. Twice she had defrauded the railway and once she had stolen some raffle-tickets and cash and a collecting-box and its cash contents.

HER father was in court, a pink-cheeked man with thinning hair and the cut and accent of a Northerner. When he went into the witness-box the magistrate asked Monica to leave the courtroom for a few moments. "I've been watching your daughter," Mr Bennett said, "her behaviour is that of a child of 12; have you noticed childishness in her?"

"Just her nerves," the father said. "Oh, no, it's more than that." The police officer in charge of the case, and Mrs. Gray, the probation officer, each rose in turn to say they had found Monica's ways strange, in their dealings with her. The magistrate sent for her again. "I'm going to have a doctor look at you," he said, "I shall remand you for one week." Then like a child visited by some nursery calamity, Monica's face screwed up as if she were going to howl. "Oh, please," she said, "must it be a week? You see, my holiday, it's all booked up everything. And I've paid for it."

"Remanded in custody for one week," the gavel wrote in his book. Then he handed Monica out of the courtroom. For holiday now, her destination would read Holloway.

## Scientist Has An Explanation For "Flying Saucers"

Washington, Aug. 6.

A physicist, Noel Scott, said today that those flying "things" people have been seeing may be "anode glows" caused by ionisation of thin air in the upper atmosphere.

One reason Scott feels that way is he has produced "flying saucers" in his laboratory at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, which possess all the characteristics attributed to the radar-spotted "objects" reported here in recent weeks.

## Nepalese Communist Leader Captured

New Delhi, Aug. 6.

Indian press reports from Katmandu said today that Nepalese forces under the command of local leader Dhyani Bahadur attempted to take over the border town of Jumla near Tibet on June 30.

There were reports claimed that regular Nepalese police forces managed to capture Bahadur along with 13 of his followers who were later taken to Katmandu. Important documents were reported to have been seized.

Bahadur had said that Dhyani Bahadur had been in touch with the Chinese Communists in Tibet, but that the latter did not supply any military aid to Communist Nepalese.

Despite the small strength of the Communist Party in Nepal, Communist agitation there is understood to be causing concern to Delhi circles at a time when the conflict between Premier M. P. Koirala and his brother, B. P. Koirala, Chairman of the Congress Party in Nepal, is threatening the Nepalese regime.

The Premier was recently expelled from the Congress Party in Nepal after he refused to be involved in the conflict between the two brothers which set off a wave of sharp clashes. It was feared here that the disturbances arising out of the current political confusion might be jeopardising the democratic structure which was established in Nepal after the 1950 revolution which brought the hereditary dictatorship of the Rana family to an end. —France-Press.

## Death Under Investigation

New York, Aug. 6. It was revealed today that the death of the 10-year-old son of an Indian couple, Dr and Mrs K. T. Behanan, last April is under investigation. Dr Behanan, who is attached to the United Nations Secretariat, requested the investigation because of circumstances arising from the use of sodium pentothal at an autopsy on the boy in a minor operation.

No evidence of any criminal negligence or criminal responsibility has been uncovered, the District Attorney's office reported. Dr Behanan said, however, that the use of sodium pentothal at an autopsy was medically improper and matters of the drug had warned against such utilization. —United Press.

## HUNT FOR MEN IN LORRY

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with any valuables. Police theorized that robbery was the motive as soon as a French farmer found the bodies strewn along the Napoleon highway. Sir Jack and Lady Drummond had been shot to death. Twelve-year-old Elizabeth had been bludgeoned, apparently with the butt of the death weapon. Sixty-one-year-old Sir Jack gained an international reputation as the food expert who kept Britain fit through the hardest days of the war with balanced diet of vitamin-rich foods. —Associated Press.

## Holidaying In Italy



The Duke and Duchess of Windsor holidaying at Portofino, Italy, take their dogs for a walk. — London Express.

## US Faces Drought Disaster

Atlanta, Georgia, Aug. 6.

Approximately one-fourth of the United States faces its worst drought in recent years unless drought-parched States can get immediate Federal aid, a government farm conference was told today.

Delegates from 10 of the most critically affected States met here with officials from Washington. They brought up a tragic and desperate picture of crops wiped out by weeks without rain and soaring temperatures.

State representatives told of entire counties where farms had been destroyed. Herds of dairy and beef cattle are starving for the slaughter pens or being sold off at a fraction of their value because there are no pastures and streams have dried up.

One representative said one dairyman told him his cows were pitifully licking rocks in low ground in an effort to get some moisture.

Overall damage in southern parts of the Southwest and New England soared toward the \$1,000,000,000 mark. Delegates to the conference said the principal need was for emergency government funds for replanting pastures, purchase of livestock feed and planting the 1953 crops. —United Press.

## Attempted Robbery In Kowloon

Two men went to the home of Mr Wong Pak-ki, Manager of the Chung Wah Book Co. Ltd., at 24 Victory Avenue, ground floor, Kowloon, at 9.30 this morning and told Mrs Wong that they had been sent there to await the return of her husband. She invited them in and gave them tea. After a few minutes, one of the men, according to a report made to the Police, produced a revolver and demanded money from Mrs Wong.

At that moment the amah entered the sitting room, and seeing what was happening, shouted for help. She was hit on the head with the butt of the revolver. The man then took flight and escaped.

## New Visitors To Hongkong

Well-known species of Australian animal life made their debut in Hongkong this morning when they arrived here from Brisbane in the ss Eastern en route to the famous Ueno Park Gardens of Tokyo.

They are the kangaroo, wombat, kookaburra (or the "laughing" jackass) and the wallaby. Another species was the "Cape Barren Goose" from the island group of that name in the Bass Strait.

The consignment was shipped by the Melbourne Zoo to Tokyo.

They consist of a two-year-old kangaroo, three wallabies, two wombats, two kookaburras and two geese.

## Australian Racing Ponies Arrive Here

A new batch of Australian Subscription Ponies, totalling 94, arrived here this morning from Brisbane in the ss Eastern. Originally 96 were shipped, but two died en route.

In charge of the griffins was Mr Frank Kirkham, who has brought previous batches of ponies from Australia for local racing. In recent years, his assistant, Mr Noel Hargreaves, is also a frequent visitor here.

Disembarkation at Muckle Wharf was carried out smoothly by personnel of the Jockey Club, headed by Mr J. A. Auckland, Stable Manager. A special wooden ramp was erected to lead the ponies from the ship on to the wharf.

Unlike last year's ramp—a straight steep slope from ship to wharf—an angled-structure was used this morning. The cushioned padding covering the angle apparently contributed much to the successful disembarkation. (Last year, one pony was seriously injured after sliding down the ramp and had to be subsequently killed.)

All the ponies, aged from four to six years old, were safely led to the quarantine bay at Happy Valley, where they will remain for about three weeks. They will be put up for auction at a date to be notified.

## MURDER TRIAL DEFENCE OPENS

### Judge Orders Accused To Give Demonstration

A demonstration by the accused of how the deceased was lying in bed and how the deceased seized hold of him in their dormitory in a dyeworks at Tsun Wan was given in Mr Justice Reece's Court at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when hearing of the Tsun Wan murder trial continued.

His Lordship instructed the accused to give his demonstration on Counsel's table, with the accused acting as the deceased and the Court interpreter, Mr Tang Tat-hung, acting as the accused.

On trial is Wong Tak-chuen, 25, accused of killing a fellow-worker, Tsang Shing, by chopping him in his sleep in the dormitory of the Nam San Dyeworks, Tsun Wan, on the night of May 22 last.

He is defended by Mr D.A.L. Wright, instructed by Mr Peter Mo, of Wilkinson and Grist.

The Prosecution is conducted by Mr Patrick Yu, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Sub-Insp. W.B. Scragg.

A Jury of six men and a woman has been empanelled. After the case for the Crown had closed, the accused testified on his own behalf in the witness-box. He said that on the evening of May 19 last he was washing a pongee silk jacket in the lavatory of the Dyeworks, and after he had finished, he took the garment out to the entrance of the factory to hang it up to dry. Water dripped from the jacket all along the corridor.

At the entrance, the deceased, who proceeded to scold accused in foul language for wetting the floor. Accused told deceased the jacket was of pongee silk and he was unable to wring it.

Up to this time, said accused, his relations with the deceased had been ordinary.

ALLEGED ATTACK

Later the same evening, accused left the factory for Tsun Wan. He met the deceased, who alleged accused was seeking trouble and struck him a blow on the side of the head with his fist. Accused tried to retaliate but did not succeed as the deceased was a much stronger man. The Police then came and took both of them to the Police Station.

The following evening, May 20, accused again visited Tsun Wan to attend a performance at the local theatre. As he stood outside the theatre, he suddenly felt a blow on the head. Turned around he found the accused with about four other men. Deceased continued to hit him, said accused, and because of their numbers he was unable to defend himself. He eventually managed to break away and took refuge in a barber's shop.

The Police arrived again and took both accused and the deceased to the Station, where they were detained overnight. The following morning both were taken before a magistrate in Kowloon and fined \$50 each for disorderly conduct. Accused said his fine was paid by a friend. He came about a month, while the deceased earned over \$100, he added.

COMPENSATION DEMAND

He then returned to Tsun Wan and met the deceased in the dormitory of the factory about 8 p.m. The deceased said his friends had lost articles of his previous night and demanded that accused compensate them by furnishing four fountain pens, two pairs of sunglasses and four Arrow shirts. Accused told deceased he would let him have an answer in a week.

About an hour later, deceased reappeared and said his friends wished to discuss the matter with accused as they did not agree to his proposition. Accused asked for a few days to consider the matter.

Asked by his Counsel what sort of reputation the deceased had, accused replied he considered him a bad man, and added that he was very fierce. While accused was in bed, deceased again appeared shortly after 11 p.m. and said his friends wished to see accused. The deceased added that if accused did nothing about the matter they would take his life. Accused replied they could do what they liked.

He went back to sleep but was restless. A little after midnight he was awakened by other inmates coming into the dormitory and found it impossible to fall asleep again. He got up about 2 a.m. to go to the lavatory. On his way back he heard the deceased call to him.

## Living Language

Why we say Loophole.

"A loophole of escape" is sometimes taken figuratively by a politician when he wants to get out of a fix, or more actively by a prisoner behind bars. The word comes from the "leuver", "luffer" of "louver"—holes formerly left in church-roofs instead of chimneys.

## Mail Notices

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 7

By Air  
Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 4.30 p.m.; Air Vietnam, 4.30 p.m.; Air India, 4.30 p.m.; C.P.A., 4.30 p.m.; Siam, East & West Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 4.30 p.m.; B.O.A.C., 4.30 p.m.; By Surface  
Macao, 1 p.m.; 6 p.m.; ss Lee Hong/Kwong Tung, 6 p.m.; ss Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.; ss Changai.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8

By Air  
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., 9 a.m.; via C.P.A., 9 a.m.; India, 9 a.m.; Thai Airways, 9 a.m.; C.A.T., 9 a.m.; Formosa, Okinawa, Japan, Seattle, Canada, 4.30 p.m.; H.K.A.N./W.A.L., 4.30 p.m.; Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 4.30 p.m.; B.O.A.C., 4.30 p.m.; By Surface  
Macao, 1 p.m.; 6 p.m.; ss Lee Hong/Kwong Tung, 6 p.m.; ss Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.; ss Changai.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9

By Air  
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., 8 a.m.; via P.A.T., 8 a.m.; U.S.A., 8 a.m.; A.A., 8 a.m.; Japan, 4.30 p.m.; B.O.A.C., 4.30 p.m.; Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 4.30 p.m.; Air Vietnam, 4.30 p.m.; Siam, 4.30 p.m.; Thai Airways, 4.30 p.m.; Macao, 1 p.m.; 6 p.m.; ss Lee Hong/Kwong Tung, 6 p.m.; ss Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.; ss Changai.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

By Air  
Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 4.30 p.m.; via C.P.A., 4.30 p.m.; By Surface  
Macao, 1 p.m.; ss Fatahan.

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